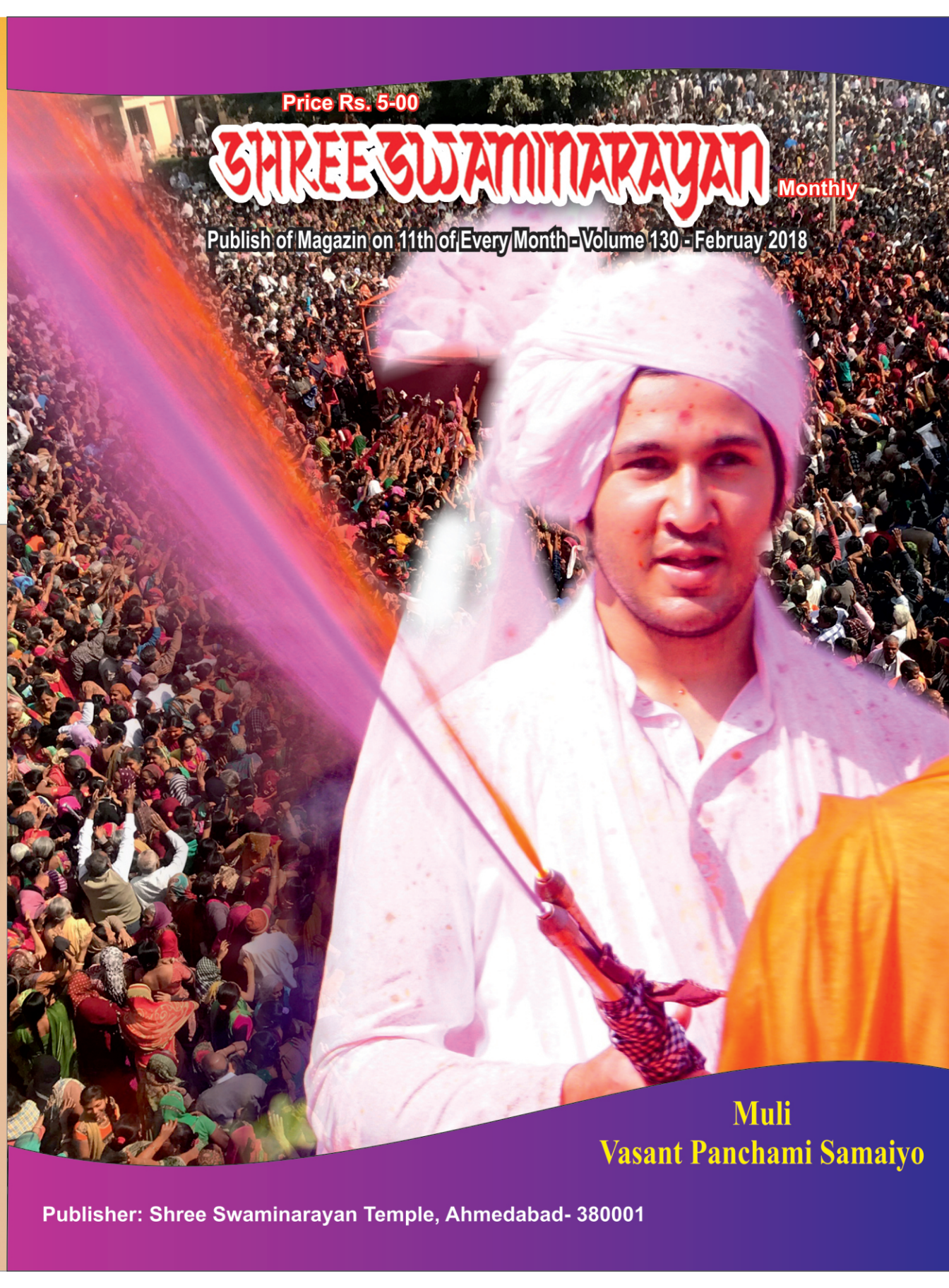


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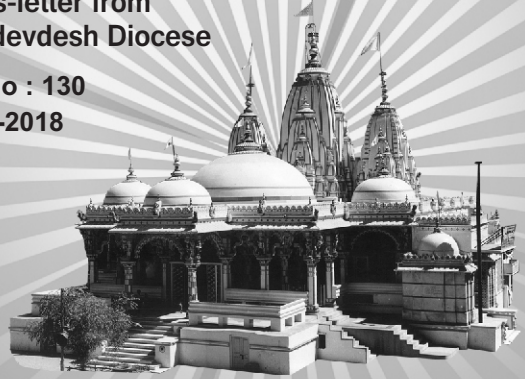
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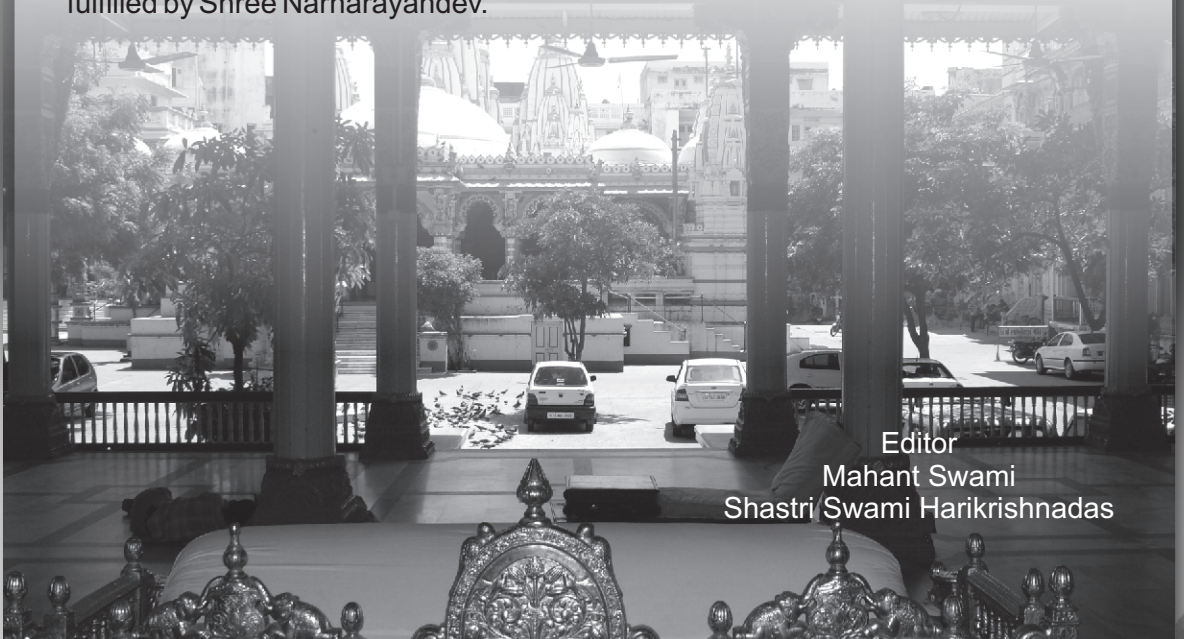
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... thereafter Shreeji Maharaj said this is our direction that Murti of Shree Narnarayan shall be offered on paper to Haribhakta. Do perform Pooja of Murti as prescribed by all the scriptures. As per our direction all of you shall keep Pooja of Shree Narnarayan; and we have got tuning with Narnarayan and we shall ask Narnarayan to perform Akhand Vaas in your idol image which we have offered while remaining in Panch Vartaman... all of you rest assured that idol image is Shree Narnarayandev only and you shall never keep that idol image un-worshipped even for a day.... (Gadhada First Chapter-48)

... therefore in this world Narnarayan Rushi is one with firm Brahmcharya, and we have shelter of that Narnarayan; with His divine powers, we shall perform Bhajan of Narnarayan and we shall also became Nishkami.... (Gadhada First Chapter-73)

We should perform reading above Vachanamrut on the occasion of 196th Maha Patotsav of Parmkrupali Shree Narnarayandev; this is Amrut Vachan of Swayam Sarvopari Shree Hari and it is Savropari Vachan for us and therefore we should perform Nitya Reading of it and our emancipation is ensured by it.

Any Bhakta or Mumukshu Jeev performs divine Darshan of Shree Narnarayandev with ardent love and affection, all his noble Sankalp shall be fulfilled by Shree Narnarayandev.



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**Appointment Diary of
H.H. Acharya Maharaj 1008
Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharajshri**

(JANUARY - 2018)



- 30 December to 2 January Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bhuj and thereafter graced Kanya Chhatralay – Mandvi – Kachchh on the occasion of its inauguration.
- 5 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Samau on the occasion of Katha-Patotsav.
- 6 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Ghanshyam Nagar Nava Dhanada (Muli Desh) on the occasion of Patotsav.
- 9 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bhimpura on the occasion of Patotsav. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bapupura on the occasion of Khat Muhurat of Nutan Mandir.
- 10-18 Pilgrimage to Australia, Sydney for nourishment of Satsang.
- 21 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Torda on the occasion of Akshar Mukta Pujya Sadguru Gopalanand Swami Janmasthan Bhoomi Udghatan.
- 22 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Muli on the occasion of Samaiya of Vasant Panchmi.
- 28 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Alina (Kathlal) on the occasion of Khat Muhurat of Nutan Mandir.
- 29 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Borna (Muli Desh – Ta. Limbadi) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha.
- 30 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Anjali (Vasna) on the occasion of Patotsav. Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Jamfalvadi on the occasion of Murti Pratistha.
- 31 January to 6 February Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Georgia Tiffon (America) on the occasion of Murti Pratistha.

APPOINTMENT DIARY OF H.H. SHRI LALJI MAHARAJ

(JANUARY - 2018)

- 22 Graced Shree Swaminarayan temple, Muli on the occasion of Samaiya of Vasant Panchmi.

Katha of Gangaji

- Sadhu Purushottamprakashdas
(Jetalpurdham)

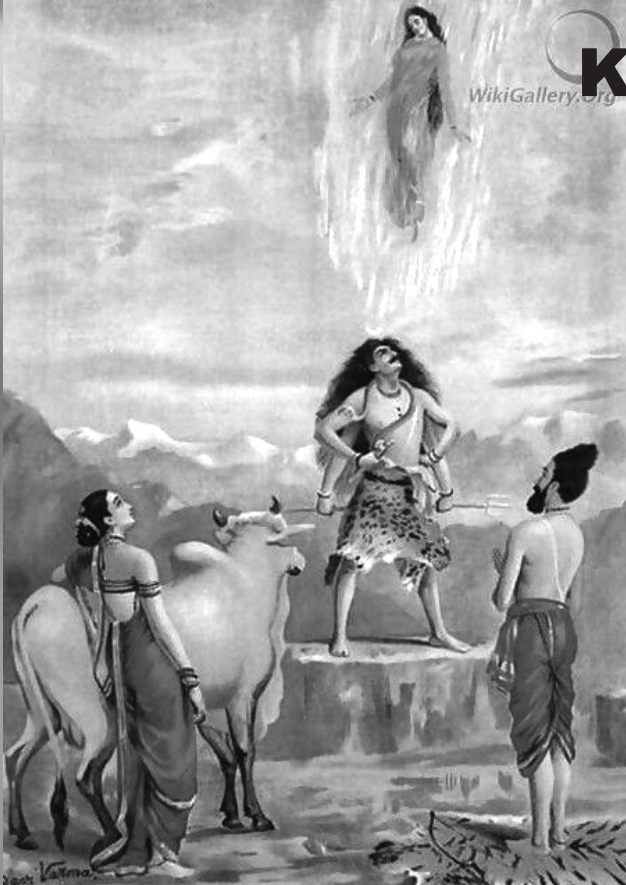
success in her Sadhana and to obtain Bholanath, Parvatiji started creating hurdles in Tapa Sadhana of Ganga.

Tapshya of Parvatiji was completed and she was already married with Bholanath. But Tapshya of Gangadevi was yet not completed. Observing severe Tapshya of Gangaji, Durvasa Rushi was coming to bless Gangadevi. Parvatiji came to know about it. So she created the hurdle on the way by filling up the road with water and mud. While passing on the muddy road, Durvasa Muni slipped and fell down. Becoming very angry Durvasa Rushi cursed Gangaji and she got transformed into water.

Gangadevi immediately woke up from her Tapshya and she fell at the feet of Durvasa Muni and begged his pardon. She also told Durvasa Muni that she has not committed any offence and that she is innocent and that she has not dropped any water on the road. Durvasa Muni watched carefully and he found that this offence was committed by Parvatiji. Therefore Durvasa Muni cursed Parvatiji that though she has obtained Shivji as her husband but she will never become pregnant.

Durvasa Muni blessed innocent Gangadevi that even in the form of water, she will be accepted by Bhagwan Bholanath as her Manas-Patni and she will be given a place in Jata of Bholanath and she will also have a son and that all the people of Trilok will get absolved of their sins by performing Snan in the water of Gangadevi and that she will never be separated from Shivji.

By cursing and blessing both Devis, Durvasa Muni went away. Brahmaji gave the place to Gangaji – now transformed into water – in his *Kamandal* where she



Parvatraj Himalaya had the family of 100 sons and 9 daughters. Among the daughters, the eldest was Ganga and second daughter was Jagdamba who abandoned her body in Yagna of Daksha Maharaja and incarnated as Parvatiji - daughter of Himalaya.

Once Gangadevi heard Katha of Shiv Charitra from Naradji and from that day onwards Gangadevi cherished the desire to marry Shivji. In order to obtain pleasure and blessings of Bhagwan Bholanath, Gangadevi started performing severe Tapa Sadhana. Following the path of her elder sister, Parvatiji also started performing severe Tapa Sadhana. Naradji informed both Gangadevi and Parvatiji about their common desire of marrying Shivji. This caused jealousy between two sisters. In order to obtain

continued to perform Akhand Shiv Smaran to obtain Shivji.

Once sixty thousand sons of Sagar Raja committed an offence of innocent Kapil Muni in the matter of Ashwamegh Yagna and with the curse of Kapil Muni these sixty thousands sons were burnt into ashes. Ashwamegh Yagna remained incomplete and except one son, all other sons did not get emancipation after their death.

Sagar Raja begged pardon of Kapil Muni and asked about the remedy to ensure Moksha of his sons. Kapil Muni told Raja that Gangadevi – daughter of Himalaya is at present lying in Kamandal of Bhramaji in the form of the water in the heaven and she has been sanctified by Charan Sparsh of Bhagwan Vishnu. If she is brought down to the Earth and if Gangajal touches the ashes of the bones of his dead sons, they will get Mukti by becoming pious due to the impact of Tapshya of Gangadevi. But Gangadevi cherishes the desire to get Shivji and therefore this is possible only if Bholanath is pleased.

Sagar Raja started performing Tapshya of Gangadevi and Shivji and spent the rest of his life in Tapshya only. Thereafter his son Asamanjay also spent his life in performing Tapshya but then also the task remained incomplete.

Five Generations of Sagar Raja sacrificed and offered their lives in order to please Shivji and Gangadevi. In the fifth Generation Raja Bhagirath continued Tapshya and as a result thereof Gangadevi and Bhagwan Bholanath blessed him.

Performing Prarthna to Bholanath Raja Bhagirath beseeched Shivji to hold Gangadevi and to allow water of Ganga to flow on the earth and to bless the world and to grant emancipation to his ancestors. At that time Bholanath held Gangadevi in his Jata and Gangadevi started flowing from Kailash Parvat and while passing through the path of Alaknanda, Mandakini etc. Gangadevi blessed the earth as Manas-Patni of Bholanath.

With the pious touch of Gangajal to the ash of sixty thousand dead sons of Sagar Raja, all of them got emancipation and Mukti and Gangadevi was known as Paapmochini.

Gangaji is steel flowing from Jata of Shivji and from Himalaya and by performing Snan-Sparsh with the pious water of Gangaji, one gets absolved of all his sins.

There is another blessing Durvasa Muni gave to Gangadevi that if any person offers Gangajal from Kalas upon Pratishtit Shivling during the pious Shravan Maas or on the pious day of Shivratri, he will get Punya and he would receive Bhakti and Shakti.

Kartik Swami was incarnated as Gangaputra. Due to severe Tapasya of Gangadevi there is divine impact in Gangajal and therefore if anybody touches Gangajal, he will get Mukti from his sins immediately. As Gangadevi is Manas-Patni, performing Ganga Snan through Smaran only is also authenticated by the scriptures.

Gangajal flows in the form of Saptadhara from Jata of Shivji and some of his Dharas are hidden in the Himalaya. Coming out of Kailash, Gangajal flows very fast through the Himalaya. At certain places of pilgrimage, Gangadevi is emerged as Gupta Ganga. The land of Bharat is considered very pious because one of the reasons is that it is touched and sanctified by divine Sparsh of Gangajal. Daughter of Himalaya which has been flown from Jata of Bhagwan Shivji and which has been sanctified by Charan Sparsh of Bhagwan Vishnu is divine spiritual power. Today scientists all over the world have accepted that Gangajal is something special than any other water of any other part of the world. The elements which are present in Gangajal are found nowhere in any other water and no any insect can touch it even if it is stored for

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Seeking Shelter of Putra of Bhakti-Dharma

- Shastri Nirgundas (Ahmedabad)



॥ वसन्ततिलकावृत्तम् शतानन्दमुनि रचित् ॥

श्रीवासुदेव विमलामृतधामवासं नारायणं नरकतारणनामधेयम् ।
श्यामं सितं दविभुदमेव चतुर्भु च त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥१॥
शिक्षार्थमत्र निजभक्तिमतां नराणामेकान्तधर्ममशिलं परिशीलयन्तम् ।
अष्टांगयोगकलनारश्च महाव्रतानि त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥२॥
श्लासेन साकमनुलोमविलोभवृत्त्या स्वान्तर्बहिश्च भगवत्पुरुधा निजस्य ।
पूरे गतागतजलाम्बुधिर्नोपमेयं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥३॥
बाह्यान्तरिन्द्रियगणश्रवसनाधिदैववृत्त्युद्वस्थितिलयानपि जायमानान ।
स्थित्वा ततः स्वमहसा पृथगीक्षभाजं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥४॥
मायामयाकृतितमोऽशुभवासनानां कर्तुं निषेधपुरुधा भगवत्स्वरूपे ।
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दिव्याकृतित्वसुमहस्वसुवासनानां सम्यग्विधि प्रथयितुं च पती रमायाः ।
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कामार्ततस्करनटव्यसनिहृदविधन्तः स्वस्वार्थसिद्धिमिव चेतसि नित्यमेव ।
नारायणं परमयैव मुदा स्मरन्तं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥७॥
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स्नेहास्तुरस्त्वथ भयातुर आमयावीं यद्वत्क्षुधातुरजनश्च विहायमानम् ।
दैव्यं भजेयुरिह सत्सु तथा चरन्तं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥९॥

धर्मस्थितैरुपगतैर्बुद्धता निजैक्यं सेव्यो हरिः सितमहः स्थितदिव्यमूर्तिः ।
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इति सत्संगिजीवने धार्मिकस्तोत्रम् । सत्संगिजीवन पंचम् ५ प्रकरण
अध्याय-६६, श्लोक १२ थी

In 5th Chapter of Shrimad Satsangi Jivan while answering the question of Shatanand Muni, Sarvavatari Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan explained the real meaning of Sankhya Shastra and Yog Shastra to the whole world. Being very much pleased with this meaning, Shatanand Muni himself performed Stuti Prarthana on behalf of the saints at the Charnarvind of Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan. Parmatma Bhagwan Shree Hari was very much pleased with this Stuti Prarthana and blessed Shatanand Muni with Vardaan that anybody who performs Path or Singing of this Stotra (Ashtak) Shree Hari will certainly fulfill all the desires of the devotees. Mysteries of Sankhya Shastra and Yog Shastra can be understood very easily and in brief by singing or cherishing this Stotra in heart. So let us try to understand the words of this Ashtak.

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Hey Narayan Muni or Hey Narnarayan Rushi residing always in Akshardham, as you are only present simply by performing Smaran Kirtan of your Swaminarayan, Narnarayan etc. names all the miseries of the hell are destroyed. Having Shyam Sharir (body) like Megh (Cloud) Oh Ghanshyam you are also having white aura. You are Dwibhuj (having two hands) and you are also Chaturbhuj (having four hands). Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (1)

SHREE SWAMINARAYAN

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Sarvopari Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan himself performs and observes Ekantik Dharma, Astang Yog and eight Arts like Yam, Niyam etc. and eight Kriyas like Neti, Dhوتي, Basti, Kunjar, Kapalbhati, Kundalini Shaktipat, Tratak etc. and himself performs Maha Vrata like Naisthik Brahmcharya and Ekadasi in order to preach appropriate teaching to His ardent devotees if they want to remain in Akshardham in the pious company of Shree Hari. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (2)

श्रासेन साकमनुलोमविलोभवृत्त्या स्वान्तर्बहिश्च भगवत्युरुधा निजस्य ।
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When you follow Kala, you stabilize the breathing inside the body and inner self at that time while cherishing Murti of Bhagwan through Pratilom Vruti and while exhaling you perform Dhyān of Swarup of Bhagwan through Anulom Vruti in front of your Eyes. In this way, you keep Vruti of Mann connected in Akhand Swarup of Bhagwan in both the ways. Just like tides and ebbs of the ocean, you please keep Vruti of Mann constantly stabilized in Swarup of Bhagwan during both Kriya of Anulom – Vilom. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (3)

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While remaining present in five Karma Indriya and in five Gyan Indriya as per Four Antah Karan inner Indriya Samuh of Mann, Buddhi, Chitta, Ahamkar and Panch Pran and following its Guna Swabhav of Adhistata Devta and while remaining away from Utapati, Sthiti and Lay of everything and watching them separately from His Swa-Swarup, Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (4)

मायामयाकृतितमोऽशुभवासनानां कर्तुं निषेधमुरुधा भगवत्स्वरूपे ।
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Offering Gyan about the mystery of Nirbij Sankya and Nirbij Yog and its tactics through His own conduct in order to explain

always prohibition against Maya Janya Sabdadik Panch - Vishay and Such Kriya having Mayik Aakar and Maya Janya Agyan of 'I' and 'My' in Swarup of Parbrahma Parmatma, Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (5)

दिव्याकृतित्वसुमहस्त्वसुवासनानां सम्यग्विधि प्रथयितुं च पतौ रमायाः ।
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Offering Gyan about the mystery of Sabij Sankya and Sabij Yog and its tactics through His own conduct in order to inform that Swarup of Sarva Vyapak Laxmipati Bhagwan Shree Vasudev Narayan is Diyva Kruti and it is having the divine Light and it is Satyasankalap to perform Atyantik Kalyan releasing Sarva Jeeva from the bondage of Maya and whose nature is always merciful and to bless all the devotees and who always accepts Sewa offered by Haribhaktas. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (6)

कामार्ततस्करनटव्यसनिद्विषतः स्वस्वार्थसिद्धिमिव चेतसि नित्यमेव ।
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Just as Kaami Jeev of this world are habituated of committing theft and just as people cherishing Asakti towards Vyasan and Dwesh towards others always perform Smaran of Such thing in their mind. Bhagwan always preaches His devotee to cherish Swarup of Shree Narayan. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (7)

साध्वीचकोरशालभास्तिमिकालकणठकोका निजेष्टविषयेयु यथैव लग्नाः ।
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Cherishing the noble temperament, a woman who is Sati always remains in her Pativrata Dharma. Just as Skylark bird stares at the moon, the butterfly remains engrossed in fire, fish remains engrossed in water, peacock bird remains engrossed in thundering cloud, Chakrawak bird remains engrossed in Chakravi. Hey Shree Vasudevnarayan you associate your devotees with you with utmost pleasure and affection. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (8)

स्नेहास्तुरस्त्वथ भयातुर आमयावीं यद्वत्क्षुधातुरजनश्च विहायमानम् ।
दैन्यं भजेयुरिह सत्सु तथा चरन्तं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥९॥

Due to ardent love and affection, a person sees everything good and a person who is very afraid sees fear everywhere, a deceased person looks at the Doctor with an expectation to get cured and a very hungry person looks at a person with an expectation to be satisfied. Ekantik Bhaktas are expected to remain in the pious company of Bhagwan and the saints. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (9)

धर्मस्थितैरुपगतैर्बुद्धता निजैक्यं सेव्यो हरिः सितमहः स्थितदिव्यमूर्तिः ।
शब्दाय्यरागिभिरिति स्वमतं वदन्तं त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥१०॥

Shree Hari explaining His principle that all devotees should always cherish Sakar Murti of Shree Hari sitting on divine throne in Akshardham which is the center of divine white light by obtaining Vairagya from Sabdadik Panch-Vishaya and understanding Brahm Swarup of Akshar Mukta by becoming Brahm Swarup while remaining Vilakshan from Sthula, Sukshma and Kaaran Deh and while remaining firm in his Varnashram Dharma as narrated in the scriptures. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (10)

सद्गन्थनित्यपठनश्रवश्रीदिसक्तं ब्राह्मी च सत्सदसि शासतमत्र विद्याम् ।
संसारजालपतिताखिलजीवबन्धो त्वां भक्तिधर्मतनयं शरणं प्रपद्ये ॥११॥

Shree Hari who is only friend of all Jeev trapped in the web of this world and Shree Hari preaching in the Sabha of Paramhansa and Ekantik Bhakta that one should perform reading and listening of scriptures every day and should also behave as per the preaching narrated in these scriptures. Hey Shree Hari – Son of Bhakti Mata and Dharma Pita – I seek your shelter. (11)

Aksharvaas

Poojari of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev of Shree Swaminarayan Temple Kalupur Brahmchari Swami Sadguru Rajeshwaranandji Guru Brahmchari Swami Haripriyanandji passed away to Akshardham on the pious day of Maha Sud-5 Vasant Panchami (Shikshapatri Jayanti) on Monday 22/01/2018 while performing Akhand Smaran of Sarvopari Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan in Mulidham. With his Aksharvaas, Shree Narnarayandev Desh and his Shishya Mandal has sustained great and irreparable loss. It is an humble prayer at the lotus-like feet of Shree Hari that the divine soul remain happy in Akshardham and may grant patience and strength to his Shishya Mandal.

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long time.

Bhagwan Shree Nilkanthvarni performed Snan in Gangajal and at that time Gangadevi came and prayed that “He Prabhu ! today my Tapasya has been successful and it got divine Sparsh of your Charnarvind. Now sins of nobody can touch me.”

Bhagwan Shivji blessed Gangadevi with Vardaan that she will always be kept in Jata as His Manas-Patni and my son will be known as Gangadhar. Anyone who offers Gangajal upon my Shivling during pious Shraavan Maas or on the pious day of Shivratri, he will get Koti Punya Fal. Those who will call me Har Har Gange, all his sins

will be burnt and even after death or while living if Asthi will be touched by Gangajal,

Need, Alertness and Bravery may be Cherished

- H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj

- Compilation: Gordhanbhai V. Sitapara (Hirawadi-Bapunagar)

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj was on the pilgrimage to Australia at the time of the occasion of 20th Janmotsav of H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and therefore H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj graced the Sabha on this occasion which was conducted by Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswarupdasji. Very appropriately Swamiji told that interest is more important than capital. And in response thereto H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj said that for Him H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj is capital. And for all of you these saints are capital; so please take care of them. Those who cherish ardent need in Satsang, they develop very much and advance very far in Satsang. Haribhaktas should cherish need of saints in Satsang; saints and Haribhaktas should cherish need of Acharya and all of us should cherish need of Shree Narnarayandev. Second is to cherish Alertness. Now Alertness of what ? The answer is that we should be very alert in following directions of Acharya Maharaj. And third is to be brave - that means we should not tolerate any improper words uttered towards Narnarayandev Gadi.

When Maharaj formed Desh Vibhag, Rampratapi Dada had become desolate. When Maharaj asked the reason for his desolation, he replied that dry areas like Kachchh and Rajasthan are situated in Ahmedabad Desh then how its administration will run ? Whereas in Southern Vibhag there is greenery and prosperity and Swayam Laxmiji is residing in Vadatal. At that time Maharaj replied that, "I will remain with you". This is a very famous conversation and all of you know it. This is not an imaginative story. This incident has been described in the scriptures. Due to this Vachan of Maharaj, today at present we see that there is pleasure, prosperity, progress

and peace in Ahmedabad Desh. In Kachchh region there was nothing till recent time but the saints inspired Bharibhaktas to go Abroad and today Haribhaktas are very much happy.

Maharaj has also directed us to respect the saints. In this Desh saints have been respected right from the beginning. Narrating two excellent examples of rendering ardent services to the deceased saints by fifth Acharya of Ahmedabad Gadi H.H. Shri Devendraprasadji Maharaj and one funny memorable incident was relished of his own childhood as Lalji Maharaj.

While narrating incident of how Dharmakul follows Niyam of Satsang even in abroad today, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj said that his daughter H.H. Shri Binduraja has been residing in America and how both children (Saumya and Suvrat) are of same age of 14 years were also born in America. These children became friend of another child who used to stay at the house of H.H. Shri Binduraja even at night. One day he forgot his Pooja Peti and went home and he did not remember about Pooja for 10 to 15 days. So Saumya and Suvrat asked their mother, "**Should we keep friendship with this boy because how he could live for these many days without Pooja and without Bhagwan ? What is the meaning of having friendship with such a boy who has no real affection with Bhagwan ?**" (This is a very inspirational thing for all in Satsang).

Today all of you perform prayer to Shreeji Maharaj that H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj may do such things in future which may create history in Satsang. Because in Sabha in Jetalpur (Jetalpur Vachanamrut-5) Shreeji Maharaj had told that everything is done as per the desire of Bhagwan.

SHREE SWAMINARAYAN

SHREE SWAMINARAYAN MUSEUM



Vasant Panchami came and now it has gone. On this occasion of Utsav Vasant of Museum has got address of Akshardham. After visiting the Museum once we automatically learn to celebrate all the days of the year. We do not know how to become empty. If we learn to become empty in Temple or Museum then only new element will be added in us and then only the beautiful season of Vasant will grow in us. Pleasure to visit our Museum is a life-long memorable experience for all of us. But instead of celebrating this new pleasure, we get busy in comparing the past and the present pleasure. By comparing the pleasure which we get now with the pleasure of the previous year we ourselves make it void of interest. If we remember all Things of Prasadi with the importance which are kept for divine Darshan and to refresh our visits year to year, then only we will get real pleasure and it will be retained. Because a small table which was kept in Shree Swaminarayan Temple Kalupur at the time of Pratishtha of Shree Narnarayandev, all the things of Yagna were placed upon that table and by taking these things Shreeji Maharaj had offered them in Yagna. Address of this table may be Hall No. 1 of the Museum but we can make it the address of our inner peace then only our visit to the Museum can be considered meaningful.

- Praful Kharsani

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List of devotees who rendered their services under Shree Swaminarayan Museum Maintenance Bhet Yojna-January-18

Rs.65,005/-	Samir Kanuga
Rs.32,535/-	Sunil S. Patel
Rs.31,000/-	Dharmaprasad Manilal Shukla – Ahmedabad – on the occasion of Varshik Punyatithi of Akshanivasi Manilal Laxmichand Bhalja Saheb.
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Rs.11,000/-	On the occasion of Amrutvarsha Mahotsav Gandhinagar Sector-23 inspiration of Shastri Harikeshavdas Swami
Rs. 11,000/-	Darji Jigar and Hemangini – Sydney on the occasion of Ring Ceremony.
Rs. 10,000/-	Sankhyayogi Dharmisthaben Guru Sankhyayogi Kanbai – Baldiya – Kachchh
Rs. 7,000/-	Patel Subhadaben Maganbhai – Dangarva
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Rs. 7,000/-	Patel Madhuben Govindbhai - Dangarva
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List of Host devotees who availed the benefit of Abhishek of Shree Narnarayandev in Shree Swaminarayan Museum January-18

02/01/2018	Ghanshyambhai Narottamdas Patel – Deusanvala at present USA
04/01/2018	Prahladbhai Vitthalbhai Patel – USA
09/01/2018	Anjalesbhai Yashvantbhai Patel – Gandhinagar on the occasion of Amrutvarsha Mahotsav, with the inspiration of Pujya Shastri Swami Harikeshavdasji.
13/01/2018	Sonal Urvisbhai Nareshbhai Bhavsar – through Arvindaben Nareshbhai Bhavsar - Chandlodiya
15/01/2018	Bhimjibhai Rabdiya – Sydney
26/01/2018	Gangaswaroop Shardaben Ramanlal Bhavsar on the occasion of completion of 75 years. Through Pankajbhai, Rajnibhai and Dipakbhai - Chandlodiya
28/01/2018	Shree Swaminarayan Mandir, Bavla Satsang Samaj with the inspiration of Pujya Dhyanpriyadasji Swami and Bhakti Swami.

Instruction:- On every pious day of Punam, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj shall perform aarti in the morning at 11.30 hours in Shree Swaminarayan Museum.

10 gram, 20 gram, silver coins of Shree Narnarayandev are available at Shree Swaminarayan Museum for offering it on pious occasions and for personal preservation.



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SATSANG BALVATIKA

Compiler Shastri Harikesavdasji (Gandhinagar)

IMPACT OF TAPA

- Shastri Haripriyadasji (Gandhinagar)

With the direction of Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan Muktanand Swami and other Fifty saints where performing Satsang in Bhal region during those times Bhal region was considered to be the place of punishment because there were no any facilities like Vegetables and Water.

Muktanand Swami and Fifty saints performed Satsang in Bhal region and Moved ahead towards Gadhpur. On the way there was not a single village where Bhiksha may be available. It was fasting for the whole day. It was the day of Atham the next day which was the day of no also passed with fasting. On the third day these Fifty saints can to a village. A satsangi lady devotee was residing in the village. Muktanand Swami and the saints reached at the house of the devotee who was very much place at the arrival of the saints. She decided to prepare Khichadi Swamiji told her not to take much pain and also not to add Ghee or Soult in Khichadi.

If any person is not doing anything and he is not earning anything and yet if he is moving in a car, people would talk about that person and would laugh at him telling that he is spending the money and wealth of his forefathers. We have performed such Tapa that we are living in such convenience. The reason for it is that our forefathers and these saints have performed Tapa and have left rich heritage for us. These saints were very strict in observing rules they used not to realise Shada-Rasa. Their meals were also not very spicy. They would accept half-baked

grains and meals. Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan kept these saints in very strict and stringent way. And due to Tapa of these saints all of us are very happy.

When Muktanand Swami asked a lady devotee not to add Ghee and Salt in Khichadi, this lady devotee thought that she is very lucky that fifty saints have graced her house as Atithi so they cannot be offered simple dry Khichadi. Therefore she mixed Ghee in the vessel of Khichadi thinking that the saints would not come to know about it and they would enjoy.

Thaal was prepared and the saints sat in a queue. Due to Pure Ghee small was spread in the house. Khichadi was being served to the saints and one of the saints told that its small was of Pure Ghee. Listening to this Atamanandji stood up and he refused to accept Khichadi mixed with Ghee. At that time Muktanand Swami requested all the saints to accept this Khichadi mixed with Ghee because it has been prepared by the devotee with ardent love and affection and Muktanand Swami also told all the saints that he is ready to be punished by Shreeji Maharaj because this Bhal region is very dry region and they are already hungry for the last two days and the next day was the pious day of Agiyaras and all of them have to observe fasting on that pious day and still Gadhada is very far and they have to walk for the whole of day. With these words Muktanand Swami requested all the saints to accept the meals. But Atamanand Swami did not agree. He was ready to die in Bhal region and he dead not accept Khichadi.

On the day of Baras, all the saints reached Gadhada. After taking their bath and other daily ritual, all the saints came in the Sabha. Muktanand Swami had yet not arrived in the Sabha. Meanwhile Atamanand Swami complained to Shreeji Maharaj about the Bhal region. He told Shreeji Maharaj that Muktanand Swami does not follow the direction of Maharaj and he narrated what happened two days back. Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan listened to Atamanand Swami with great patience and asked to wait for Muktanand Swami to come. All were eager to know as to what will be punishment to Muktanand Swami by Shree



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Swaminarayan Bhagwan. There was great curiosity in the Sabha because Muktanand Swami was elder to Shreeji Maharaj in age and Shreeji Maharaj would always respect Muktanand Swami.

When Muktanand Swami arrived in the Sabha, Maharaj asked as to what had happened. Muktanand Swami told Maharaj that Atamanand Swami is telling the truth and that all the saints had accepted Thaal of Khichadi at his instruction only because all of them were hungry for the last two days and the whole Bhal region was very dry area and the very next day was also the pious day of Ekadashi – the day of fasting for all. Moreover he had already asked the lady devotee not to add Ghee or Salt in Khichadi but the devotee did not follow his instructions and this had happened.

Shreeji Maharaj stood up. All were surprised. Maharaj stood up, took out garland from his neck and offered it to Muktanand Swami and embraced him. Maharaj told that today Fifty saints were present in Sabha due to Muktanand Swami only and if there was only Atamanand Swami, he would have been here without these Fifty saints.

Dear friends such were our saints. This was Tapa of our saints and very merciful was nature of Muktanand Swami and such a nice was tuning with Shreeji Maharaj. Muktanand Swami would know as to what would obtain pleasure of Maharaj and due to Punya of such saints today our Satsang has progressed.

TREACHERY

- Narayan V. Jani (Gandhinagar)

This is an incident which happened many years ago. But it is to be remembered and it also teaches us a great lesson. There was a farmer leaving in a village. He was a very noble and gentle person. He use to go out to another village after every fortnight and he had to pass through a forest.

One day morning he started his journey in the forest. On the way he heard a voice coming out of a well shouting to save. When the farmer went near the well and looked into the well, he saw that a snake, a monkey, a tiger and a person were inside the

well. Last night of them had fallen down into this well by accident. Now it was a very staring and critical condition in which none of them can save another one. This farmer was very benevolent and very brave also. He made immediate arrangements and took out the snake monkey and tiger from the well. Thereafter he tried to help person to come out of the well. At that time all the three animals thanked this farmer for his life saving help and promised to help him. But they requested the farmer not to help that person to come out of the well because he did not deserve any mercy. But the benevolent farmer did not pay attention to these words of the animals and he helped the person to come out of the well. During their conversation the farmer came to know that this person is residing in the village where he goes for his business.

After 15 days, that farmer was again passing through the forest to go to another village. He met the tiger whom he had saved last time. The tiger offered him some ornaments. The farmer crossed forest and went to the village. After completing his work the farmer thought to meet that person whom he had helped last time. That person well come the farmer and both of them started toking. During their conversation, the farmer told this person that this time the tiger had given him some ornaments. When that person looked at the ornaments, he found out that these ornaments were of the price of the king.

In fact it had so happened that, Prince of the King of the village had gone to the forest and he had not returned. So the king had made the announcement of a big price to any person who will furnish some clue or any information regarding whereabouts of the Prince. Looking at the ornaments of the Prince, that person thought that if this farmer is produced in front of the king, he can get price. So he immediately informed the soldiers and the farmer was imprisoned and in turn that person received a big price from the king. Though this farmer was innocent, he had to suffer misery of imprisonment.

The snake and the money came to

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BHAKTI-SUDHA

“FOR WHAT PURPOSE KATHA IS PERFORMED ? ONE GETS A DIRECTION TO LIVE A LIFE THROUGH A MEDIUM OF KATHA” FROM THE BLESSINGS OF H.H. SHRI GADIWALA (ON OCCASION OF SATSANG SABHA OF EKADASHI IN KALUPUR TEMPLE HAVELI)

- Compiled by Kotak Varsha Natvarlal-Ghodasar

A person learns something new through the medium of Katha. A man takes something from Katha. Katha is meant to bring some transformation in the life of a man and it can change his life. At present we see human life of three types in the society- Demonic, Human and Divine life. Demonic means a person does something which he should not do, despite knowing he does something wrong and he eats something which he should not eat and he sees which he should not see. All this is known as Demonic life and if a person lives his life as per natural human qualities, it is known as Human. The biggest characteristic of human life is that he should not make others unhappy. Very few people are found living divine life. Divine life means a person does all such unselfish deeds and through his such noble deeds an ideal is established in the society but by doing such divine deeds, a human being does not become a deity. But the biggest benefit of people living divine life is that if a devotee goes ahead one step, Bhagwan comes to him five step ahead. Once a human being starts living divine life, he has to make efforts to uplift himself. Now how will do it? There are three stages. **“Atmagyan”, “Atmaanusthan” and “Atmauthan”**. Atmagyan means he has to identify the natural qualities lying within

himself. That means first of all he has to identify what is there in me which is not proper and which are good qualities in me. Until a person knows himself all knowledge about the scriptures is futile. Atmaanusthan means after identifying his natural qualities he has to perform Atmamanthan. That means he has to make efforts to polish his good qualities and he has also to make efforts to remove his bad qualities. This is known as Atmaanusthan. Third one is Atmaanusthan which means it is about spiritual progress and not limited to only noble human conduct. For Atmaanusthan our thoughts should be Sattvik. Be very careful in whatever you do. In pious ‘Shikshapatri’ Shreeji Maharaj has directed that any work related to Dharma should be done immediately and any work of this world should be done after careful consideration. But in our day to day life we do contrary to this. We give priority to our worldly matters. Here we commit mistake and why this mistake happens? A person is born in this world with certain expectations and desires. Now all the human beings have their own independent desires and thoughts and human being lives his life accordingly. But our selection is as per our desires but we have options available with us and so we have to choose whether we should fulfil and achieve our goal or to leave it. If we do something not noteworthy and very brave during adverse situation of life and without surrendering ourselves to temptations while using our Atamashakti, we go closer to Bhagwan. In fact any person is not 100% independent because certain things are compulsory and it is proper. But what do you do? It is my choice. What is objectionable in it? I will leave my life as per my wish and desire without looking at others but this should not be

done because after some time this attitude will create difficulties not to others but to himself. Bhagwan has made certain laws and principles and the whole world runs accordingly. If the principles and the laws framed by Bhagwan are not followed appropriately, there will be mismanagement in our life. But something has so happened that even if we leave our life following this principles then also miseries com in our life now why does it happen? The answer is that it happens to make us stronger and this is known as spiritual examination which can be taken at any time. In school students are informed about their examination in advance. But in life there is no advance intimation or information about such examination. Though we have planned everything in our life, our Bhagwan takes our examination. Now this test is taken by Shreeji Maharaj and it is for our benefit only and therefore we have to take everything positively. In spiritual examination, first of all courage and fear of a person are tested. Now it is tested in order to make us more courageous. Secondly if you have power in you, Bhagwan checks whether you use this power for good purpose or bad purpose, how do you use this power? So we have to be very alert. Sometimes Maharaj takes everything from us and sometimes Maharaj gives everything to us. Now we have to be satisfied and humble in all situations and we have to be positive. By using all his knowledge and power and making all efforts to deal with the situation and his will-power is developed. So when such a critical situation comes in life we have to be very strong cherishing faith in Bhagwan and we will get a high place even in spiritual life. We should accept all situations very naturally and all of you have developed and progressed in Satsang up to this level and therefore only all of you are sitting here. Sometimes in life we have to inspire life in us. We are sitting under auspicious shelter of Shree Nananarayandev and we have to see that our surrendering is strong. Nobody can do any harm to us because Shree Nananarayandev is standing with us holding

eight Aayudh. Just as we do not have any options of our breathing similarly there is no another option of Shree Nananarayandev because Shree Nananarayandev is Raja of Bharat Khand and we have to remain under the directions of our Raja because we are living in His kingdom. So all of you may always remain ardent devotees of Shree Nananarayandev. Now next Katha shall be performed in our Museum during the pious Adhik Maas. However its date will be determined hereafter.

IMPACT OF SEWA

- Labhuben Manubhai Patel (Kundal, Ta. Kadi)

Makan Bhatt was residing in village Maliya. His condition was very poor like Sudama. He had no property of his own. However he had divine property because he was very reach with noble qualities like Dharma, Gyan, Vairgya, Daya, Santosh etc. when any saints would grace his village, he would invariably attend Katha, would listen to it peacefully. He used to offer cool sweet buttermilk and pickles to the saints.

Therefore Shreeji Maharaj was very much pleased and granted divine Darshan to the devotee Makan Bhatt at night. When Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan graced the house of the devotee, Makan Bhatt offered seat on his broken bed. Shreeji Maharaj sat on the bed and the devotee Makan Bhatt started singing Kirtan with folded hands.

“पूर्वजं पुण्य प्रगट ययुं ज्यारे,
स्वामिनारायण मणीया त्यारे,
नेणे मोहनवर निरण्या ज्यारे,
पूरण कामथयुं मारुं त्यारे.”

Shreeji Maharaj told that you have been offering the buttermilk and pickles to our saints now what should be offered to you? What are your desires? Tell me and we will fulfil your desires. And we will also grant you prosperity. Makan Bhatt replied that he did not want any property because he is

happy with earning his lively hood by during label work. The devotee told that he wants that he may be taken by Maharaj in Akshardham. Shreeji Maharaj agreed and told him to be ready on the pious day of Ekadashi. Makan Bhatt narrated everything to his wife. The wife told Makan Bhatt that she was preparing the buttermilk for the saints and therefore Maharaj should also take her to Akshardham. Shreeji Maharaj came on the pious day of Ekadashi and took the devotee Makan Bhatt with him in Akshardham. The next day Bhagwan came again and took the wife of the devotee with him in Akshardham. This is the impact of the Sewa. Because here Bhagwan has opened the gates of Moksha for the ardent devotees like Makan Bhatt.

‘કાંજે પામ્યા અમારો પ્રસંગ રે,
તેને તુલ્ય આવે કેમગંગા રે,
એને સ્પર્શ્યાતા વામન પાવે રે,
તેતો હરિ અવતાર કા’વે રે.
પણ અવતારના જે અવતારી રે,
વાત તેની તો જાણજો ન્યારી રે.’

Nishkulanand Swami has stated that Gangaji incarnated with Charan Sparsh of Vamnji. Hear Sahajanand Swami is the creator of all incarnations so please identify Him. But we throw away special thing and we hold very trivial things. We have been holding Moh, Maya, Agyan etc.

આજની વાત મોટ જેથી જીવ તર્યા કોટી કોટી.....
ચરાચર સ્થાવર ને જંગમતે સહુને થયું સુગમ...

‘એમવેંતિ કરી છે અમે વાટ રે,
બ્રહ્મમોલમાં જાવાને માટ રે,
શ્રી મુખે કહે એમશ્રીહરિ રે,
સહુ વાત માનજો એ ખરી રે.’

The road to Akshardham is opened for us but keep in mind what shall be do that we get a place in Akshardham and this is done by chanting the name of Shree Hari and performing Bhajan imbibing the idol image of Shree Hari in our eyes, listening to Katha and performing Mala and cherishing Vairagya in our heart. All this will help us to secure a place in Akshardham.

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know about the imprisonment of the farmer of the king. Immediately the monkey and snake came to the Jail. The monkey brought some fruits for the farmer and the snake gave a miraculous Mantra which can cure the effect of the poison of snake-biting. Thereafter the snake bit the king and the health of the king started deteriorating due to the effect of the poison. All the Doctors and Vaidya where called and they maid there best efforts but in vain. The farmer sent a message from the prison to the minister that he has a miraculous Mantra by which he can cure the Prince but in lieu thereof he may be released from the Jail. The minister released farmer from the Jail and farmer immediately went to the king and started his divine treatment with his Mantra and the king started recovering his health. The king thanked the farmer for saving his life and he offered so many gifts to the farmer. From the farmer the king came to know about the wrong information given by that person and ultimately he was sent to the Jail.

The farmer became happy and was returning towards his village and he met the tiger, the money and the snake on his way. All these three animals told the farmer that because he had saved them they were ready and eager to help him. But that person betrayed the farmer for his vested interest. They also told that animals are better than human beings. The farmer told the animals that if a human being betrays he is worse than the animals. But if the saint or human being becomes benevolent he can be better than the deities.

Our Istadev Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan has narrated example of Sevakram in 10th Vachanamrut First Chapter, and Shree Hari has directed that such an unfaithful person should be abandoned immediately. So keeping this thing in mind if we shall render services with benevolence in Satsang, we shall obtain pleasure and Akhand blessings of Bhagwan.

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Panchanh Gyan Yagna (for ladies devotees) in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur Haveli During pious Dhanur Maas in the pious company of H.H. Shri Gadiwalashri

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendrprasadji Maharaj and H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwalashri, Grand Mahila Panchanh Gyan Yagna was organized from 22/12/2017 to 27/12/2017 in Shree Swaminarayan temple Kalpur Haveli during the pious Dhanur Maas.

Sankhyayogi ladies devotees (Kalupur Mandir Haveli) were the spokespersons of this Gyan Yagna. On the first day Sankhyayogi Rekhaben narrated divine Charitra Katha of ideal devotees. On this occasion, divine Shakotsav was performed by H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwalashri. On the second day Sankhyayogi Minaba narrated Katha on the theme of ideal ladies devotees and divine Utsav about Charitra of Shreeji Maharaj accepting the sweets at the houses of eighteen devotees in Vahelal simultaneously was celebrated. On third day Sankhyayogi Bhartiba explained the importance of the life of Nand Saints and on this occasion divine Darshan of Samuh Aarti on the theme of Sadguru Muktanand Swami performing Aarti in Kagvani was performed. On the fourth day Sankhyayogi Gitaba explained the importance of Shree Narnarayandev and on this occasion Shree Narnarayan Fuldolotsav was also celebrated. At last importance of Dharmakul of Shree Hari was narrated in detail. On the fifth day of concluding ritual of Gyan Yagna, Sankhyayogi Bhartiba celebrated Shree Ghanshyam Janmotsav and explained importance of Shree Swaminarayan Mahamantra. During this beautiful Gyan Yagna of five days, all the ladies

devotees availed the benefit of divine Darshan of blessings of H.H. Shri Laxmiswaroop Gadiwalashri, H.H. Shri Rupal Raja and H.H. Shri Sonal Raja had also remained present on all the five days. (Kalupur Mandir Haveli)

Grand Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Gandhinagar (Sector-2)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmakul and with the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Pujya Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Gandhinagar-Narayanghat), grand Shakotsav was celebrated on Sunday 07/01/2018 in our Shree Swaminarayan temple, Gandhinagar (Sector-2). Shakotsav was organized by Mahant Swami and Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal Gandhinagar and the whole Satsang Samaj.

Divine Vaghar of Shakotsav was performed by the saints. In the sabha organized on the occasion Sadguru Pujya Mahant Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji, Pujya P.P. Swami, Pujya Shastri Ram Swami, Shastri Mahant Shri Divyaprakash Swami had explained the importance of Bhagwan Shree Hari. Sabha was conducted by Pujya Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Gandhinagar). Many devotees rendered the services as the host devotees of Shakotsav whose benefit was availed by the thousands of devotees. (Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji – Gandhinagar)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vali (Rajasthan)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Swami Devprasaddasji of Vali (Rajasthan) temple. Grand Shakotsav was celebrated on Posh Sud-15 02/01/2018. Devotee Shri Chamna Ramukaji Bhuriya family rendered the services as the chief host of Shakotsav. Other devotees also rendered their devout services.

On this occasion saints from Biliya and Himatnagar had arrived and narrated beautiful Katha Varta. The whole arrangement was made by Kothari Swami Hariprasaddasji and Shastri Swami Brahmswaroopdasji. Haribhaktas of the villages like Vali, Dativa, Thobau, Jelatara, Goliya, Vatera, Navapura, Vapa, Meda, Kharva, Sindhasava had availed

the benefit of Dev-Darshan, Katha-Shravan and Prasad of Shakotsav. (Shastri Swami Brahmswaroopdas – Vali Mandir)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Himatnagar

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Premprakashdasji of Himatnagar temple, grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 31/12/2017 whose benefit was availed by all devotees by rendering various types of services. Saints from Vali, Biliya, Sapavada and Kalupur Temple had arrived on this occasion and had explained the importance of Shakotsav and Sarvopari Shree Hari.

During the whole occasion Shree Ghanshyam Mahila Mandal and Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal had rendered inspirational services. The whole arrangement was made by Mahant Swami of the temple and Mamlatdar Shri Jasubhai S. Patel. During the whole Dhanur Maas, saints and Haribhaktas had performed Shree Hari Smaran Dhoon. On Sunday 07/01/2018 beautiful Annakut was offered to Shree Ghanshyam Maharaj. (Jay S. Patel – Himatnagar)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Pethapur

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Swami Dharmapravartakdasji, grand Shakotsav was celebrated in our Shree Swaminarayan temple Pethapur. Ladies devotees of village Balva had rendered beautiful service of preparing loaves of Bajari and beautiful services were rendered by Poojari Swami and Paropkar Swami and other Haribhaktas. About more than 1500 haribhaktas availed the benefit of Shakotsav.

Devotees Shri Chinubhai S. Bhavsar, Sanjaybhai, Sudhirbhai, Dr. Pareshbhai, R. K. Patel and Kanchandben Modi etc. rendered the services as the host devotees. During the whole Dhanur Maas Shree Swaminarayan Mahamantra Dhoon was organized followed by distribution of divine Prasad to all the devotees. Mahant Swami had narrated beautiful Katha of Shrimad Satsangi Jivan. Poojari Ghanshyam Swami and Paropkar Swami had offered

various Shangar Darshan to Thakorji. (Kothari Mukundbhai).

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Bapupura

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Sadguru Puja Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Gandhiangar-Narayanghat), grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 31/12/2017 with the arrangement of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and all the villagers.

H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performed divine Vaghar of Shakotsav. Akshar Nivasi devotee Chaudhari Jitiben Kantibhai Keshabhai through Manjulaben Prakashbhai Chaudhari family rendered the services as the chief host of Shakotsav. All other devotees of the village also rendered services as the host of other services. In Sabha organized on the occasion Mahant Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji, Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Gandhinagar-Narayanghat) and Mahant Swami Nandkishordasji (Mansa) had explained the importance of Shreeji Maharaj. Thousands of village Bapupura and other villages availed the benefit of Shakotsav. (Shastri Swami Chaitanayswaroopdasji – Gandhiangar)

Khat Muhurt and Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Himatpura (Lakroda)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Gandhiangar-Narayanghat), ritual of Khat Muhurt of beautiful Hari Mandir was performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj in village Himatpura on Tuesday 09/01/2018.

On this occasion Mahant Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji, Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Gandhinagar-Narayanghat) had explained the importance of Sarvopari Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan and H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj. In the Sabha H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performed divine Vaghar of Shakotsav and blessed the whole Sabha. All the devotees of the village rendered various types of services and availed the benefit of Shakotsav. (Shastri Swami Chaitanayswaroopdasji – Gandhinagar)

First Patotsav and Shrimad Bhagwat Panchanha Katha in Shree Sahajanand Gurukul Koteshwar Prarthna Mandir

With the blessings of Parabrahma Parmatma Shree Swaminarayan and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Shastri Mahant P.P. Swami (Gandhinagar-Narayanghat), Shrimad Bhagwat Panchanha (Ratriya) Katha was organised from 17/01/2018 to 21/01/2018 with Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Gandhinagar) as a spokesperson as a part of first Patotsav of Shree Sahajanand Gurukul Koteshwar Prarthana Mandir. On this occasion

Ratriya Katha, Pothiyatra, Shree Krishna Janmotsav, Abhishek of Thakorji, Annakut Darshan, Dharmkul Darshan, Darshan of saints and at last Mahaprasad etc. beautiful programmes were organized. Akshar Nivasi devotee Babubhai Manilal Patel, Akshar Nivasi Manguben Mathurdas Patel, Gangaswarup Amthiben Babubhai Patel rendered the services as the chief host of this occasion and many other devotees had also rendered their services.

On this occasion Mahant Saguru Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji and others saints from various places had arrived. Sabha was conducted by Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdasji (Mahant of Naryanghat). (Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdaji - Mahant of Naryanghat)

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Devdaka Goliya (Rajasthan)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Kothari Swami Hariprasaddasji of Vali temple, Grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 13/01/2018 in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Devdaka Goliya (Rajasthan).

Devotees of the village rendered services with their mind, body and money during this Shakotsav. Shastri Swami Chandraprakashdasji of Vali –Biliya narrated Katha Varta on this occasion. The whole arrangement was made by Brahmswaroop Swami of Vali Temple. Sinh Family rendered services as the chief host of Shakotsav. Chaudhari Bhimarav and Virmaram Thakorji

Kag family availed the benefit of saint-poojan. (Shastri Swami Brahmswaroopdasji – Vali Temple)

Satsang Yuva Shibir and grand Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kaliyana

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions and blessing of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Saduguru Mahant Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji and Pujya P.P. Swami of Jetalpurdham and with the arrangement of Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and the whole village, grand Shakotsav was celebrated on Saturday 06/01/2018 in Jin of devotee Shri Ramjibhai Gohel at the village Kaliyana in front of Thakorji by Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji and Shastri Swami Bhaktivallabhdasji of Jetalpur temple. On this occasion Satsang Shibir was also organized wherein Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji recommended to adhere to Shree Narnarayandev Gadi and original Sampraday and its principles and not to be misguided by others. Dhoon, Kirtan, Katha etc. were performed between 2.00 to 5.00 in the afternoon whose benefit was availed by about 700 Haribhaktas of total 18 villages including Kaliyana. devotee Shri Arjanbhai Mori from Rampara, devotee Shri Ramjibhai Gohel from Kholdiyad had arrived on this occasion. (Ganeshbhai D. Butiya)

36th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Gawada

With the blessings of Sarvopari Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami P.P. Swami (Gandhinagar-Narayanghat), on the pious day of Maha Sud-7 and 24/12/2017, 36th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Gawada was celebrated wherein Shodasopchar Abhishek, Annakut to Thakorji were performed. On this occasion Katha-Varta, Dhoon-Kirtan were performed by Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami, Balswarup Swami (Narayanghat), Pranjivan Swami, Shastri Gopaljivan Swami. Devotee Shri Arvindbhai Joitaram Patel (Gawada at present of America) through Alpeshbhai Kamleshbhai family had rendered the services as the host of the whole Patotsav. (Kothari Gawada)

3rd Patotsav and Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Vijapur (of Vajiba)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration and guidance of Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant Gandhinagar-Narayanghat), 3rd Patotsav of Aksharmukta Pujya Vajiba Smruti Mandir was celebrated with great fervour and enthusiasm on Sunday 21/01/2018. On this occasion Shastri Swami Kunjviharidasji had performed Katha. Saints from various places had arrived. Sabha was conducted by Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Gandhinagar). Grand Shakotsav was performed by the saints. Annakut was offered by Thakorji and Aarti was performed. All the devotees of the village had rendered their beautiful services. (Kothari Shri Vijapur Temple).

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kundal (Kadi)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the beautiful arrangement by Maha Mukta Kala Bhagat Parivar, grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 07/01/2018 in Vadi of Kala Bhagat in village Kundal. All the devotees of the village availed the benefit of Shakotsav. On this occasion Shree Swaminarayan Maha Mantra Dhoon was performed in both Shree Swaminarayan Temple. (Labhuben Manubhai Patel)

Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Umedghad (Idar)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, devotees had performed Mahantra Dhoon in the early morning in Shree Swaminarayan temple Umedghad during the whole Dhanur Maas. On 17/01/2018 all the devotees of the village celebrated beautiful Shakotsav in the front of Thakorji. Vishveswar Swami and others saints had narrated Katha-Varta. All the villagers availed the benefit of divine Shakotsav. (Kanthibhai Patel – Umedghad)

Patotsav - Shakotsav and Katha in Shree Prabha Hanumanji Temple, Jamiyatpura

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions

of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Vijayprakashdasji Guru Sadguru Swami Jagatprakashdasji. Varshik Patotsav of Shree Prabha Haunimaji Maharaj was celebrated with great fervour and enthusiasm. Shri Bhakta Chintamani Parcha Prakaran Katha was organised from 31/12/2017 to 02/01/2018 with Shastri Swami Satyaswaroopdasji as the spokesperson.

On this occasion Sadguru Swami Jagatprakashdasji (Kalupur), Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami Atmaprakashdasji (Jetalpur) and Sadguru Shastri Swami Premswaroopdasji (Kalol) had offered beautiful blessings. Shodsopachar Abhishek of Shree Hanumanji Dada and Shakotsav were performed by the saints whose divine Darshan was performed by 1000 Haribhaktas. (Vishnu Swami – Kalupur Mandir)

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Lavarpur

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, grand Shakotsav was celebrated on Sunday on 24/12/2017 whose benefit was availed by about 1500 Haribhaktas of nearby villages.

On this occasion Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji from Gandhinagar temple arrived and narrated beautiful Katha-Varta. During the whole Shakotsav, Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal, Mahila Mandal, Trustees of the temple and villagers had rendered inspiration services. (Kothari – Lavarpur temple)

Grand Shakotsav in Koteswar Gurukul by Shree Swaminarayan temple, Sabarmati

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, grand Shakotsav was organised on Sunday on 31/12/2017 at Shree Sahajanand Gurukul Koteswar by Satsang Samaj of Sabarmati. About 1200 Haribhaktas of Sabarmati area performed Darshan and availed the benefit of Prasad of Shakotsav. On this occasion Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Gandhinagar) and Shastri Gopaljivan Swami had narrated Katha-Varta. During the whole Shakotsav Mahila Mandal, Yuvak Mandal and students of Koteswar Gurukul had rendered inspiration services. (Kothari – Sabarmati temple)

Padyatra from Motera to Shree Swaminarayan temple, Kalupur

With the blessings of Parbrahma Parmatma Sarvopari Shree Swaminarayan Bhagwan and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration and guidance of Sadguru Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant Gandhinagar-Narayanghat). Grand Padyatra was organised in the morning 8 hours on Sunday 07/01/2018 in ordered to offer Dhaja to Shree Narnarayandev of Shree Swaminarayan Temple Kalupur from the village Motera. Devotees Shri Shailleshbhai Baldevbhai Patel family rendered the services as the host of this Padyatra wherein 400 haribhaktas participated accompanied by Shastri Ram Swami and Nana Brahmchari Mukundanand Swami. The host devotee family had offered Thaal to Shree Narnarayandev and Rasoi to Saints, Parshad and Padyatri. Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal had rendered beautiful services on this occasion. (Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji)

Satsang activity at village Gadiya (Santrampur)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Hari and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, 225 students of school of village Gadiya of Zadi Desh where offered Vartman of Sampraday and Kanthi with their desire by Shastri Swami Vishwaswarupdasji of Kalupur temple. All the students were explained the rules and tradition of Sampraday and importance of Shree Narnarayandev Gadi. (Pravinbhai Patel – Gadiya School)

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Ilol

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Shastri Swami Premprakashdasji (Himatnagar) grand Shakotsav was celebrated on 07/01/2018 at Shree Swaminarayan Ilol wherein all the Haribhakta of the village rendered beautiful services. On this occasion Shastri Swami Premprakashdasji talked about Niyam, Nishchay and Paksha. The whole arrangement was made by Kothari Kiritbhai. (Jay M. Patel)

Khat Muhurt of Nutan mandir in Ranipura (Prantij Desh)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions

of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, Khat Muhurt of Nutan mandir Ranipura of Sabarkantha district of Prantij Desh was performed by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj on 16/12/2017. Construction work of the temple shall be done under the supervision of Mahant Sadguru Swami Premjivandasji of Prantij temple and Shastri Swami Gopaljivandasji. Temple will be constructed with the cooperation of Mahant Shastri P.P. Swami (Mahant Gandhinagar-Narayanghat), Shastri Ram Swami (Koteshwar), Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji (Gandhinagar), Mahant Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdasji (Mahant Narayanghat), Kothari Shastri Muni Swami (Kalupur) etc. saints Mandal. (Navalsinh Bhagwat – Prantij)

Second Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Modasa

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Mahant Sadgurj Shastri Swami Akhileshwardasji of Mathura temple, Second Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple of Modasa (Nalanda-2) was celebrated with great fervour and enthusiasm on the pious day of Posh Vad-7 8/1/18 in the presence of Sadguru Shastri Swami Harijivandasji and Nilkanth Swami and devotees Shri Rasikbhai Chunilal Soni and Saurabh S. Soni rendering services as the host of this Patotsav. Annakut Aarti of Thakorji, Katha Varta and Maha Mantra Dhoon were performed by the saints. Shastri Swami Akhileshwardasji (Mahant of Mathura temple) conveyed wishes for Patotsav through telephone. Devotees had performed Dhoon during the pious Dhanur Maas. Sadguru Shastri Swami Akhileshwardasji, Shastri Swami Harijivandasji and Narayan Bhagat had narrated Katha Varta (K. B. Prajapati – Modasa)

Ghodiya (Santrampur)

With the blessings of Sarvopari Shree Hari and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Shastri Swami Vishwaswarupdasji, beautiful Satsang Sabha was organized in village Ghodiya wherein Shree Hari Naam Dhoon, Katha Varta, Janmangal Path were performed and Annakut Aarti was also performed by Thakorji whose beautiful benefit was availed by all the devotees. (Sumanbhai Patel)

Shree Swaminarayan temple, santrampur

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the inspiration of Sadguru Swami Suryaprakasdasji Shree Hari Aishwarya Darshan Panchanha Parayan by Sadguru Nishkulanand Swami was organised with Sadguru Shastri Vishwaswaroopdasji as the spokesperson in the memory of devotee Shri Hinaben the daughter of Aksharnivasi Kalubhai Premchand Mali. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj had graced this occasion, performed Darshan in the temple and blessed Sabha organised on this occasion. Saints from various places had arrived. Madhu Bhagat had rendered beautiful services and Dr. Shri Mali Sir was honoured in the Sabha. (Kaushalkumar Mali)

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Mahadevnagar

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, grand Shakotsav was organised on Saturday 30/12/17. On this occasion Maha Mantra Dhoon for 2 hours was organised in the afternoon followed by Sabha wherein Mahant Sadguru Shastri Swami Harikrishnadasji from Kalupur Temple, Kothari Shastri Muni Swami, Sadguru Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswarupdasji etc. saints mandal had performed Katha-Varta and to cherish ardent faith in Shree Narnarayandev.

During the whole Shakotsav Shree Narnarayandev Yuvak Mandal and Mahila Mandal had rendered inspiration services. Saints had performed beautiful Shakotsav the Sabha was conducted in the whole Utsav was organised under the guidance of Shastri Swami Chaitanyaswaroopdasji. (Kothari Natubhai Patel)

Divine Shakotsav in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Naranpura

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Sarvopari Shree Balswarup Ghanshyam Maharaj and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the pleasure of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Sadguru Mahant Shastri Swami

Hariomprakashdasji, Grand Shakotsav was organized on Sunday 07/01/2018 in the Gopi Farm of devotee Shri Sureshbhai.

Devotee Shri Kantibhai Ramdas Patel (Dangarva) and Shri Mahendrabhai Parshottambhai Patel (Dangarva) family were the chief hosts of this Patotsav. H.H. Shri Mota Gadiwala had graced this occasion and granted divine Darshan and the blessings to all the ladies devotees. In the Sabha organized on this occasion, Shastri P.P. Swami had narrated Katha. Accepting the invitation of Mahant Swami of Naranapura and Madhav Swami, large number of saints had arrived on this occasion. Mayor Shri Gautambhai Shah, Hon'ble Revenue Minister Shri Kaushikbhai Patel etc. political dignitaries had also remained present on this occasion. As per Sankalp of Dharmkul, about more than 5000 poor persons were offered Mahaprasad.

During the whole programme, Parshads of Naranpura temple, Bhudevs, Naranpura Yuvak and Mahila Mandal, and Yuvak Mandal of Ghatlodiya, New Wadaj, Ranip, New Ranip, Approach, Kankaria, Nikol, Anjali, Visnagar, Kalol, vadu, Karjisan, Shayona City, Naranpuraa village and Kachhi Leuva Patel young devotees had rendered their beautiful services under the guidance of Mahant Mukund Swami of Haridwar temple. Shastri Uttam swami of Bhuj had conducted Sabha very nicely. Prem Swami had also rendered beautiful services. Mahant Swami had explained the plan of celebration of new Rajat Jayant Mahotsav-2019. Beautiful Cultural Programme was performed by Shree Narnarayandev Bal Mandal-Yuvak Mandal. About 250 devotees rendered services as the host devotees of Shakotsav.

Planning of next Rajat Jayanti

Shrimad Satsangijeevan Katha in Rishikesh from 15/05/2018 to 22/05/2018, Padyatra on Sunday 11/02/2018 from Naranpura temple to Jetalpurdham, 12 hour Akhand Dhoon on Sunday 25/02/2018 in Bhujdham, 12 Hour Akhand Dhoon on Sunday 04/03/2018 in Mulidham. (Vishal Bhagat – Naranpura Mandir)

MULI DESH

Vasant Panchami Patotsav – Rangotsav Samaiyo in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Muli

With the blessings of Shree Radhakrishnadev of Mulidham and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, 195th Varshik Patotsav of Mulidham Nivasi Mahapratapi Shree Radhakrishnadev Shree Harikrishana Maharaj was celebrated with great fervour and enthusiasm on the pious day of Maha Sud-5 Vasant Panchami on Monday 22/01/2018. As a part of celebration of Patotsav, Tridinatmak Shreemad Satsangi Bhusan Katha was organised with Sadguru Shastri Swami Suryaprakashdasji as the spokesperson. Sadguru Ghanshyam Swami was the spokesperson of Samhita Path.

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj and H.H. Shri Gadiwala had arrived on this pious occasion of Patotsav. With the inspiration of Sadguru Swami Shyamsundardasji devotee Bhagwanjibhai Madhavjibhai Parmar (Ambala-Halar Surat) family availed the benefit of rendering services as the host of the whole Patotsav-Katha.

H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj, H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performed Annakut Aarti of Thakorji and concluding ritual of Shree Hari Yag.

More than 50,000 Haribhaktas performed divine Darshan of Patotsav and large number of saints and Sankhya Yogi ladies devotees from various places had also arrived on this occasion.

Elder saints had performed Poojan of the pious Shikshapatri and idol image of Sadguru Brahmanand Swami. Famous artist of Gujarat and winner of Rashtropati Award Shri Yogeshbhai Gadhavi performed Doha-Chhand of Sadguru Brahmanand Swami and Sadguru Devanand Swami. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj blessed the whole Sabha and insisted to cherish ardent faith in Shree Radhakrishnadev and Shree Narnarayandev.

Like every year H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj arrived wearing beautiful traditional white Turban at 12.00 hours in the afternoon and

played colourful Rangotsav with bright saffron colour Kesuda. Sabha was conducted by devotee Shri Shailendrasinh Zala. The whole arrangement of the kitchen was made by all the devotees under the guidance of Kothari Swami Krishnavallabhdasji. Mahant Swami Mukund Swami (Haridwar), Vraj Swami, Harikrishna Swami, J.K. Swami and Parshad Bharat Bhagat had rendered all the services. (Shailendrasinh Zala)

5th Patotsav of Shree Swaminarayan temple, Ghanshyamnagar (Halvad)

With the blessings of Muli Nivashi Shree Radhakrishnadev Shree Harikrishana Maharaj and with the directions of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and with the blessings of the whole Dharmkul, 5th Varshik Patotsav of Shree Ghanshyamnagar (of Haribhaktas and ladies devotees) was celebrated on 06/01/2018 by H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj in Vedic Tradition.

The whole arrangement was made with the inspiration of Shreejiswaroop Swami. Saints and Sankhya Yogi ladies devotees from various places had also arrived. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj had performed Annakut Aarti in both the temples and blessed the large Sabha of more than 10,000 devotees organised on the occasion and directed the devotees to cherish ardent faith in Bhagwan Shree Hari. Kothari Parshottambhai of the temple and devotee Shri Arjanbhai had made beautiful efforts. Manojbhai Uliyawala of Morbi had also rendered beautiful services. Mahant Swami of Morbi temple had made all the arrangements. (Representative Anil Dudhrejjiya)

OVERSEAS SATSANG SAMACHAR

Shree Haribal Geeta Parayan in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Hyustan (America)

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendraprasadji Maharaj and with the blessing of the whole Dharmkul, Shree Haribal Geeta Parayan was organised every evening from 5-30 to 8-30 hours from 19/12/2017 to 23/12/2017 during the pious Dhanur Maas in our Shree Swaminarayan Hindu temple, Hyustan Texas.

Shree Haribal Geeta Parayan was performed by Shastri Swami Divyaprakashdasji and Parshad Mahendra Bhagwat (Byron). Devotee Shri Asitbhai and Monaben Trivedi rendered the services as the chief host of Parayan. Many other devotees also rendered the services as co-host of this Parayan whose benefit was availed by large number of devotees. In the Sabha, all the host devotees were honoured with garland. Beautiful arrangement was made by the temple. (Pravin Shah)

Dhanur Mass Dhoon in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Colonia

With the blessings of Paramkrupalu Shree Narnarayandev and with the directions of Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya 1008 Shri Koshalendrprasadji Maharaj and with blessing of the whole Dharmkul and with the inspiration of Parshad Bharat Bhagat Shree Hari Naam Smaran Dhoon and Kirtan - Katha were performed during the pious Dhanur Maas in our Shree Swaminarayan Hindu temple at Colonia. Divine Vagha of a student going to the school were offered to Bhagwan Shree Hari and many devotees rendered their services as the host devotees of this divine occasion and all of them were honoured by the temple. Beautiful Satsang activity is going on in our Colonia temple. (Pravin Shah)

Dhanur Mass Dhoon in Shree Swaminarayan temple, Parsipenny

In our Narnarayan Swaminarayan Hindu temple Parsipenny (New Jersey) every morning beautiful Shangar was offered to Thakorji. Divine Vagha of a student going to the school were also offered. Thereafter Bal Bhog and Prasad were also offered. Mahant Shastri Swami Abhishekprasaddasji performed beautiful Katha on this occasion and all the host devotees were honoured with garland by Mahant Swami. After the declaration of the next program, Prasad was offered to all the devotees. (Pravin Shah)

Pride of Sampraday

Young devotee Shri Venugopal Hitendrabhai Patel, who cherishes ardent faith towards Shree Narnarayandev and Dharmkul, submitted a research paper in law faculty on the subject "Study of Divorce Issues of Hindu – Strong Bonding to Separation" and obtained the Doctorate Degree of Ph.D. The devotee is at present working as Assistant Government Pleader in the High Court of Gujarat. It is noteworthy that he has offered his Thesis to Ahmedabad Shree Narnarayandev Pithadhipati H.H. Shri Acharya Shri Koshalendrprasadji Maharaj. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj and H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj are very much pleased with this outstanding achievement of the devotee and they have blessed the young devotee.

It is for the information of all Haribhaktas that twenty year ago this child was doing his school homework at the residence of H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj and at that time by clicking a photograph and putting signature on it, H.H. Shri Mota Maharaj had blessed and uttered Bhavishyavani of this child that he will study a lot. Due to the blessings of this Mahapurush only today this devotee has achieved bright career at the young of age 32 years, as narrated by the young devotee himself. All the saints and Mahant Swami have blessed the young devotee and expressed their pleasure.

॥ श्रीशु स्वामी कडे सुसंत अमने, विद्या भाषे ते गमे,
माटे स्नेह समेत नित्य षाळजे, विद्या विशेषे तमे ॥
- हरिदीवामृत क-१, वि०प, कडी-उप.

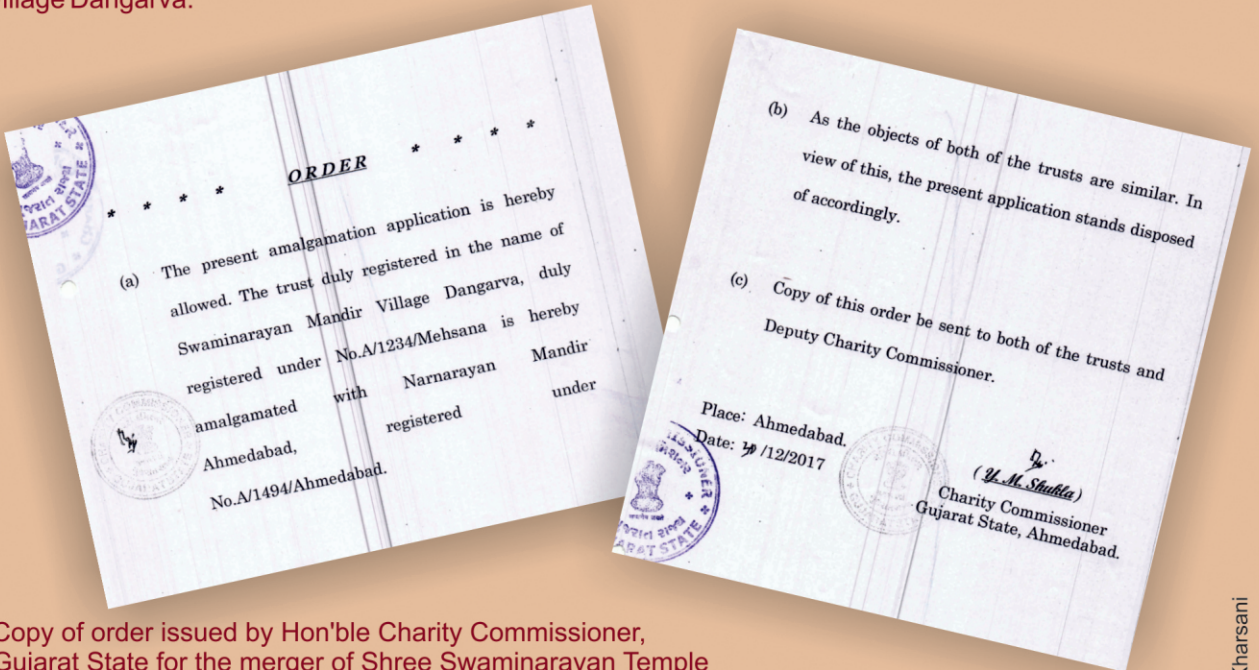


1. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing Aarti of Murti Pratistha in Nutan Mandir at Village Borana (Muli Desh).
2. H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj performing Abhishek of Thakorji on the occasion of Patotsav of Anjali (Ahmedabad) Temple.
3. Saints performing Abhishek of Thakorji on the occasion of Patotsav of Mahesana Temple. 4. Annakut Darshan of Thakorji and Mahant Swami Divyraprakashdasji performing Katha on the occasion of Patotsav of Narayanghat Temple.
5. H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj blessing the Sabha on the occasion of Dashabdi Patotsav of Bhaupura (Kalol) Temple.
6. The host devotee family performing Poojan of H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj on the occasion of Ratriya Panchan Parayan at Jamfalvadi (Ahmedabad). 7. Divine Shakotsav in Sanand by the saints of Jetalpur. 8. Darshan of divine Shakotsav in Toronto (Canada) Temple.



H.H. Shri Acharya Maharaj clicking a moment in camera of H.H. Shri Lalji Maharaj performing Rangotsav during the Vasant Panchami Samaiya in temple premises of Muli.

Village Dangarva of Dandhavya Region of North Gujarat sanctified by Charan of Shree Hari
Brave and unique devotees of village Dangarva cherishing ardent faith in Sarvavtari Parbrahma Parmatma Bhagwan Shree Swaminarayan are very famous in Satsang. Jatanba and Venidasbhai are at the top among Patidar devotees and Kshatriya brave Parshads. While surrendering to ardent affection of the devotees, Shree Hari graced village Dangarva while returning from Karjisan and as per the desire of Maharaj Jatanba offered milk, curd and butter and obtained pleasure of Maharaj. Therefore Maharaj blessed Jatanba with Akshay Kothi of grains during the drought of the year 1869 from which innumerable people were offered grains and all of them got Atayantik Moksha from Maharaj due to the impact of Bhakti of ardent devotees of village Dangarva.



Copy of order issued by Hon'ble Charity Commissioner, Gujarat State for the merger of Shree Swaminarayan Temple Dangarva (Vanto) with Shree Narnarayan Mandir Trust Registration No. A/1494/Ahmedabad of Shree Narnarayandev Dosh.