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## Being born a Sistakaranam

The profound essence of existence lies in the miraculous occurrence of human birth. As proud bearers of the Sistakarana identity, we recognize ourselves as the culmination of numerous life cycles. This realization sheds light on the exceptional value of human birth, elevating us to the status of intellectuals, the epitome of the best. The assertion that our fortuitous birth in the distinguished Sistakaranam clan deserves celebration. However, the landscape is marred by challenges such as religious conflicts, divisive vote bank politics, and conversion maneuvers. Our tolerance and patience, often mistaken as a weakness, becomes a hindrance as we find ourselves at the mercy of those who exploit it for their gains.

Despite possessing intellect and acumen, we face hurdles in securing basic necessities like food and opportunities in government or private jobs. Political positions seem elusive, pushing us to a corner where we contemplate our direction and survival. The grip of vote bank politics and societal constraints raises the poignant question – what is lacking within us that hampers progress?

This is not a plea for sympathy, but a call to action. Embracing our intelligence, we must take charge of our destiny. It is time for our generation to challenge the status quo, questioning the influence of political agendas and societal norms that hold us back. We must collectively channel our intellect to lead not just our society but also contribute positively on a global scale.

Let the shared vision of upliftment and empowerment drive us to defy the limitations imposed by current circumstances. Together, as a united force, we can transcend the obstacles, strengthen our bonds through platforms like WhatsApp groups, and manifest the positive change we envision. The time is now for our collective intelligence and courage to pave the way for a brighter future. Praying to the Lord for that success, I once again wish you alla Happy Makar Sankranti...

Wishing your family all the happiness and joy...

Your Well-wisher,

- Baliwada Haribabu

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printed magazine, which requires approval of RNI (Registrar of Newspapers for India), (3) It's not a commercial venture, but a collaborative voluntary effort from members of our community and (4) It's for private circulation only, meaning that it is meant only for members of the Sistakaranam community. However, we are open for advice in this matter, and reiterate that we shall abide by any statutory requirements, once the same is clear.

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## Community News

### Sistakaranams in R-Day celebrations

1. Sri Balivada Dayanidhi, D.R.O (District Revenue Officer) Anakapalli district, received a certificate of appreciation for his excellent services at the hands of the District Collector in the Republic Day celebrations held at Anakapalli district headquarters.



2. During the Republic Day festivities in the Srikakulam district headquarters, Sri Balivada Malleswara Rao, Secretary of the District Red Cross Organization in Srikakulam district, was honored with a certificate of appreciation presented by the District Collector for his outstanding contributions.



3. Sri Polumahanthi Srikanth, Director of New Central School in Srikakulam, Srikakulan District, along with choreographers Sri Raghupathruni Srikanth from Srikakulam, were presented with a certificate of appreciation. The recognition was bestowed upon them by the students of New Central School for securing the first place in the cultural category. The District Collector had the honor of presenting the certificates.



4. Sri Raghupatruni Tirupati Rao, Mandal Parishad Development Officer (MPDO), Dwarakathirumala, Eluru District received a certificate of appreciation for his meritorious services at the hands of the District Collector in the Republic Day celebrations held at the Eluru district headquarters.



5. Sri K. Ravi Shankar Prasad, Motor Vehicle Inspector (MVI) in the Transport Department of Vizianagaram District, was honored with a certificate of appreciation for his outstanding services. The recognition was presented by the District Collector during the Republic Day celebrations at the Vizianagaram District Centre



6. Sri Uriti Mahendrakumar, a government employee in the Manyam District of Parvathipuram, received a Certificate of Merit during the Republic Day celebrations. The recognition was presented by Project Officer Sri Vishnucharan IAS at the Parvathipuram Manyam District ITDA event.



7) Sri Prasanna kumar has received a meritorious award from Hon'ble Collector & District Magistrate and Hon'ble Police Commissioner, Visakhapatnam on the occasion of 75th Republic Day 2024. Let us Congratulate Him



8. Srikakulam District Branch Elections for Andhra Pradesh State Government Retired Employees Association were conducted at Sri Shantha Kalyana Anuraga Nilayam in Srikakulam. Sri Kallepalli Soma Sundara Rao was unanimously elected as the district association president, and Sri Balivada Malleswara Rao as the honorary president. Congratulations to both.



9. Srikakulam APEPDCL Circle Center, Srikakulam APEPDCL employee Sri Kondavalasa Surya Chaitanya received a certificate of appreciation for his excellent service from the Superintendent Engineer (Operations) on the Republic Day celebrations.



10. Prominent Sistakaranam Sri Manipatruni Nageswara Rao orchestrated the Republic Day celebrations on 26-1-2024. As the headmaster, he proudly raised the national flag at Muddada Government Primary School in Etcharla mandalam, Srikakulam district.



11. Sri Balivada Tirumala Rao, Principal, Sri Venkateswara High School, Govt. 26-1-2024 in celebration of Republic Day at Garabandha Village School in Gajapati District, Odisha.



12. Sri. S.U.N. Murthy (Sun Murthy) attended the hoisting of the National Flag on 26-1-2024 at the office of the Human Rights Council on the occasion of Republic Day.



13. Rotary Blood Donation in Visakhapatnam. On the occasion of Republic Day under the leadership of Dr. Kuppili Suresh Babu a blood donation camp was held. Hats off to Suresh for orchestrating

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## Community News

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this commendable and impactful service initiative.

14. Celebrating Republic Day, senior politician, our Sistakaranam, Smt. Kurada Pavani, special invitee of the State OBC Morcha, clinched the top spot in the Andhra Vanita traditional saree competition at RK Beach, Visakhapatnam. She was honored by Hon'ble Rajya Sabha members Sri GVL Narasimha Rao and Smt. Maithili.



15. During a program at Port Stadium on January 26, 2024, Visakhapatnam GVMC, our talented young artist, Chi. Naupada Jahnvi,

joined the Mega Art Contest, securing the fourth prize of Rs. 5000, along with a certificate of appreciation and a memento from the organizers.



16. Smt. Sandhya, Sri Suresh, Sri Subramaniam, MPDO Datti Rajeru, and Sri Kottisha Kishore from the Health Department were honored with certificates of appreciation by the Vizianagaram District Collector. Congratulations to all of them.

Collected by Sri Sadasivuni LakshmanRao

Summarized by Sri JV Chandrababu

## Open Forum

### Employment Exchange Online Registration

Have you registered all your qualifications and details in Employment Exchange in Andhra Pradesh State? Otherwise register now online for free. First, provide your mobile number, email ID, and create a user ID/password in the web site. You can then log in, scan and upload color photos of your educational qualifications and caste certificate. Upon completion, you will receive a registration number. With this you can apply for government jobs.

If you are already registered in Employment Exchange, you can do renewal online. You can also add your newly acquired qualifications online.

Click the link below and register:

<https://employment.ap.gov.in/LoginPage.aspx>

- Sadasivuni Laxman Rao

### Karaṇālu

*vṛāyasagāṇḍranucu*

*nilpi*

*vārtalakekki*

*ūrūra caduvutō*

*kāḷiṅga dēśāna*

*velugulē pañci*

*karaṇāla vāsaṁ*

*kalamu śaktinibeñci*

*kayyāla jōliki*

*kāgitamulandu*

*pōrulēvāru*

*sthiracarāsthula sthitul*

*kalamandu balamunē*

*tiramugā vrāsi*

*galavārusum'mi*

*grāmasīmalu rāma*

*śiṣṭikaraṇālella*

*rājyamē jēsi*

*cirayasamu nondi*

*Citraguptuni vanśa*

*nalubadi dēśālālō*

*vārasulagucu*

*ghanulu vāru*

*nilciri manavāḷḷu*

*bhūmi puṭṭalugalgi*

*nīmālu galgi*

*bhūṣaṇāl galgiyu*

*karaṇālu naludesala*

*bhūmilekkalu vrāya*

*kāryakartalu gāre!*

*gala samardhata galgi*

*Kalamu pūjalujarupu*

*vāḍavāḍala pāṭhaśālālē*

*Kalavāruvāru!*

written by

Dr. Pakki Ravishekhara Satyanarayana Murthy

Hyderabad



# Newsmakers

## Two Books of Smt. Sujata published

Smt. Sujata Patnaik daughter of Late Balivada Kanta Rao Patnaik and wife of Sri K C Patnaik (Karakavalasa Ramachandra Patnaik) from Chatrapur, Odisha, has got two new books published.



"Life is... the Pursuit of Happiness" has been published by Govt. of India, I & B ministries Publications Division, Delhi in May 2023 and another book "Fun With English" was brought out by Allied Publishers, New Delhi. (It's on Amazon, Flipkart etc.)

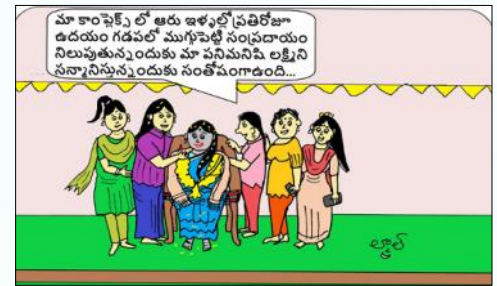
## State Merit Award to Smt. Nagamani

Smt. Patnayakuni Nagamani, District DCIC Incharge, was honored with the Statement Award for exceptional consumer services in Parvathipuram Manyam district, during the state-level meeting organized by Vijayawada Tummalapalli on National Consumer Day. The recognition was presented by Nageswara Rao, Minister of Civil Supplies, State Civil Department.



## "LAL" cartoons in Telugu Mahasabha

From 5-1-2024 to 7-1-2024, 150 cartoons drawn by 75 Telugu cartoonists were exhibited in the 2nd Telugu Mahasabha at Rajamahendravaram. This exhibition impressed the young visitors. Cartoons by Sri Sadasivuni Laxman Rao (Lal), Sri Omkar and Sri Naresh Patnaik Garu were also shown. Let's congratulate them.



## Sri Prasad honored at National Youth Festival celebrations

The Cheyutha Foundation Society, led by President Mudidapu Ramu, orchestrated the National Youth Day celebrations at the Vizianagaram Zilla Parishad meeting hall. During the event, distinguished NGO presidents were honored, including Sri Tyada Prasad Patnaik, head of Mother Teresa Seva Sangam and Blood Donors Club. Notable attendees included Dr. DVG Shankar Rao, Chairman of Andhra Pradesh ST Commission, Sri Sirisahasra, founder of Chinna Srinu Soldiers, ZP CEO, renowned lawyer SSSS Raju, Dr. AS Prakasa Rao, educator and community volunteer, and Rajagopal Garu, Head of Abhimani Foundation.



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## Dr. Konatala Puraskar award to Sri PST Patnaik

In a ceremony at Anakapalli on January 14, 2024, a memento and the Dr. Kontala Ramalinga Swamy award was presented to Sri PST Patnaik, a National Award recipient for Disability, for his dedicated service to the disabled, by Padma Vibhushan, former MP, Dr. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad. The award ceremony took place in the presence of an audience, acknowledging Sri PST Patnaik's efforts in running an Orphanage for the Disabled at Achyutapuram.



## Dr. Govinda Rao's article in Eenadu

Our Sistakaranam, Head Master of Zilla Parishad High School, Kotabommali, Srikakulam dist., excels not only in education but also as a versatile writer, singer, songwriter, and poet. Master Dabbiru Govinda Rao's commendable initiative establishing libraries in rural areas was featured in a prominent article on 23-1-2024 in Eenadu. Congratulations on this impactful service program.



## Sri Prabhakar in Akashvani

On 16-1-2024 at 6-30 AM from Akasavani Visakhapatnam Center, a beautiful speech of our community poet and literary man Sri Shekharamantri Prabhakar was broadcast in the Chintana program, praising the greatness of our country. Congratulations to Shri Prabhakar

# Newsmakers

## Yogasana memento to Sri Srinivas

Sri Basuri Srinivas, Visakhapatnam, who performed 216 Surya namaskars in 88 minutes in Yog asana competitions and received the Yog asana Book of World Records memento.



## Chi Siddharth won Two Gold medals in Sports fest

Chi. Mulaga Siddharth Pattnaik, son of Shankar Rao Pattnaik, Treasurer SWA won 2 gold medals and trophy in Basketball and Volleyball in Inter College Sports Fest organised by Avinash College, Kukatpally at BHEL Stadium in the month of December 2023.



## Launch of book on Sri Prakasha Rao

Honoring an exemplary educator and leader, Sri Palatheru Surya Prakasha rao (P. S. Prakasarao) of Parvathipuram Manyam District Belagam, a distinguished figure in the teacher's movement, APTF District Leader in Vizianagaram, and State Councilor. With decades of dedicated service, he championed teachers' causes, contributed significantly to education, and elevated government school standards. His establishment of Suryateja School broadened access to quality education for middle and lower-class families



To celebrate his impactful leadership, a book launch event is scheduled for January 21, 2024, at Team Ashram in Totapalli. The publication, a collaborative effort of Andhra Pradesh Teachers Federation (APTF) and team, charity organization Totapalli, reflects the love and support he garnered. Relatives are urged to attend and contribute to the success of this meaningful occasion, showcasing the profound impact of Sri Prakasa Rao's legacy.

## Smt. Keerti Patnaik's article in Citizen Times

Kudos to Visakhapatnam resident Smt. Kuppili Keerti patnaik, a leading social worker, and founding chairperson of Dr. Sridevi Vignanjyoti Parishkar Charitable Trust for being featured in popular newspaper Citizen Times for her impactful service activities. Congratulations!



## Sistakaranam contribution in Srirama temple at Ayodhya

Dr. K. S. Rao (Kondalamahanti Seshagiri Rao), a civil engineering professor at IIT Delhi, is leading the supervision team for Ayodhya Sri Rama Mandiram construction. Congratulations to him – we take immense pride in his accomplishment.



## "Lal" in NCCF Cartoon Show

Led by Sri Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao (Lal - cartoonist), NCCF organized a cartoon show at Visakhapatnam's Andhra University Engineering College Grounds from January 12 to January 15, 2024. The NCCF presented a captivating exhibition of cartoons, attracting over a lakh visitors during the four-day celebration. Among them, approximately five thousand attendees were enthralled by the Sankranti cartoon exhibition, capturing videos and photographs of the delightful creations by North Coastal Andhra Cartoonists Forum members like Sharma, Verma, Raghu, Omkar, Pipinaidu, TR Babu, Lal, Ragathipandari, Rama, Arishetti Sudhakar, and more, showcasing over 150 cartoons. Esteemed cultural leaders, including Smt. Kuradapavani, Sri Balivadharibabu, Sri Baggam Srinivasa Rao, Sri Prabhakaradasu, and Sri Basuri Srinivasa Rao, commended Sri Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao for spearheading the event. The NCCF expressed gratitude to Sri GVL Narasimha Rao, Rajya Sabha Member, for enabling the display of cartoons during the Nabhuto Nabhavishyati celebrations.



## Newsmakers

### Appreciation in National level Art

Congratulations to Eesha Patnaik, a budding Artist of Raipur for achievement in sketching and Painting. She is the daughter of Sri Bogela Krishna Rao Patnaik & Manju Patnaik.



### National Achiever Award to Dr. Krishna

Dr. Krishna received National Achiever Award 2024 (1st Award for the year 2024) in the category of "Best Psychologist and Associate Professor in the field of Psychology & Special Education." This prestigious award was presented to him by the Plugin PR & Marketing Group.



### Dance programme by Chi. Pranitha in R-Day Parade

Let us congratulate our sistakaranam classical dancer Chi. Ravupalli Pranitha daughter of Sri Ravupalli Balaram (aka Rakesh) of Delhi on her performing mohiniyattam dance along with her team at Republic Day Parade at India Gate in New Delhi on 26-1-2024.



She is the granddaughter of late Ravupalli Babu Krishna Rao, (Ex vice president, Komarada mandal sistakaranam sangham) from Artham Village in Komarada mandal in Parvatipuram manyam district.

### Two prizes to "Lal" in cartoon competitions

On 26-1-2024 at Balotsav Bhavan, Vijayawada, the awarding of prizes to the winners of Gullapalli Aruna Kumari Memorial Cartoon Competition was held under the patronage of Hasyanandam. Sri Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao, who has won two prizes and received certificates of appreciation from the organizers, draws cartoons under the name "Lal".



### Basangi's advt. in TOI

In the edition of the Times of India dated 20th, on the front page, there was an advertisement featuring Hyderabad actor Sri Basangi Suresh.

A photo shown him working as an artist with tools came in the Swadeshi advertisement.



### Release of stories translated by Dr. Uma Gandhi



In a program held at the 34th Vijayawada Book Festival 'Pustaka Mahotsavam' organized at Vijayawada Government Polytechnic College from 28-12-2023 to 7-1-2024, the stories "Neelu Pilu", "Chhika Chik Chik", "Goa" translated from English to Telugu by our Sistakaranam Teacher Smt. Dr. Murahari Rao Uma Gandhi, recipient of the President's Award, on the occasion of International Literacy Day, were launched in Vijayawada among book lovers from different parts of the country under the auspices of the National Book Trust. In the year 2022, the beautiful picture stories were written in a workshop jointly organized by the National Book Trust and our education department. Our thanks for unveiling in this New Year on 4-1-2024 at the magnificent stage, to Sri Pattipaka Mohan, Director of NBT and Kendra Sahitya Akademi Awardee, to Smt. Vinjamuri Krishna Kumari, former Director of Akasha Vani, noted children's writer, to Sri K. Lakshmaiah, Secretary of the Vijayawada Book Festival., to Indrani (Aravinda School Committee), to Chavella Srinivas, famous children's literature critic and many others. Blessings to the children. It is a privilege to review these children's stories by the children themselves.

Hearty congratulations to all. Smt. Dr. Murahari Rao Uma Gandhi is a source of pride for us.

Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao

## Editorial

### Our folks in political parties

Lekha's Heartful Pranams to all Sistakaranam relatives

In Andhra Pradesh, where the majority of our caste is present, the field is all set for the Lok Sabha and Assembly elections. This time even more than before, the programs we are doing in various parties are commendable. We have covered, as much as possible, under the title of Sistakaranams in politics. We are happy that in YSRCP, Telugu Desam, BJP and Jana Sena, we are enthusiastically participating and have even moved towards proposing an MLA ticket.

Hitherto we have been representing our caste indirectly.

These days, it is explicitly being said that Sistakaranams are being represented. Other than vote bank politics based nominated posts, we should strive for direct and indirect representation in legislative assemblies. No matter who belongs to any party, if we are united at least, our unity will put us at the forefront of the party.

It will help to stand up politically without being undermined by others.

What we do in these three months will help us grow for the rest of the five years.

We appeal to the elders that no matter how much we try for OBC, it will be good if OBC comes in the current parliament meetings.

It is impossible to say what will happen after the election. We hope that perhaps our leaders will recognize this and accordingly take the lead in the pursuit of OBC before general election.

**"Sarva Sistakarana Jana bandhu Sukhinobhavanthu"**

**- Jannumahanti Venkata Chandrababu,  
Chief Editor**

## Interview

### Services in villages at grassroot level

**Earlier, community members who settled in villages were rarely connected with the state and national leaders of the community, as there were no communication channels or tools available now. One of our Sistakaranams decided to serve the community family members living at the grass-roots level and even connected these members to the national, state, and district level leaders. Lekha is talking about Sri Polaki Apparao, a retired government officer who is totally associated with rural clusters. We hear from him about his journey.**

**Please brief about your academics and career.**

I am from a village environment. I studied my elementary level at L. Ravivalasa village, PUC, and graduation from Bobbili Raja College, Vizianagaram district, Andhra Pradesh. After my studies, I joined as a works inspector in the irrigation department in 1968 and later moved on to the agriculture department in 1973 as an agricultural extension officer. In my service, I was elected Vice President of the Agriculture Extension Officers Association. I was also the general secretary for the association at the Vizianagaram district level. Even after my retirement, I was the Joint Secretary for the Parvathipuram Unit Pensioners' Association.

**We heard about your grassroot level community activities. Please share with us.**

I hail from a remote rural area of the most backward district, Vizianagaram, where the majority of our community members are very poor. I extended my services to these members, who were staying in villages during my entire service. Thus, I became a link between national, state, and district Sistakaranam leaders and the local village people for all community activities, including Kartika Vanasamaradhana, covering 4-5 mandals.

**What about your participation in community meetings at state level?**

I participated in Sistakaranam national meetings held in the states of Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal, etc., along with the national and state leaders like the late Sri A. V. Jagannadha Rao Patnaik and Sri Polumahanti Umamaheswararao. I was instrumental in collecting and submitting a larger number of affidavits from Komarada mandal delivering the true picture of poverty in our community to the Dalawa Subrahmanyam Commission. The leaders of AISKAR recognised my services and honoured me.

**You are into many other activities of our community, as we understand. Please tell us**

**those.**

I compiled and published a beautiful book named SISTADARSHINI with full data of members of my area with contact numbers, history of Sistakaranams in achieving BC status in AP State. It is a very useful compen-



<b>Father:</b>	late Sri Polaki Kurmanadham
<b>Mother:</b>	late Smt. Polaki (Prataparao) Appalanarasamma
<b>Wife:</b>	Smt. Polaki (Patnaikuni) Ammaji
<b>Son:</b>	Sri P K S Mukherjee
<b>Daughter-in-law:</b>	Sai Laxmi
<b>Daughters:</b>	Smt. Godaba Gnana Ratnam w/o late G Ramabhadra Rao Smt. Prataparao Usharani w/o late Gowri Shankar Smt. Patnaikuni Sudha Rani w/o Sri Raju
<b>Nativity:</b>	Gopannavalasa, Vizianagaram dt.

dium.

I, as a senior leader, was instrumental in establishing Sanghams at Jiyyammavalasa, Bobbili, Parvathipuram, and Kurupam mandals. He was instrumental in establishing Komarada Mandal Sistakarana Sangham in 1994 and guided it until 2005, when I became the President of the sangham. Post-retirement from my service as president, I took up many activities that included honouring the merit students, helping poor Sistakaranam families, etc.

I was the EC Member in All India Sistakaranam Sangham for three years. I was honoured with the Life-time Achievement Award by All India Sistakaranam Sangham in Berhampur.

**Your message to our youth please.**

Youth should always remember the greatness of our Sistakaranam caste. Try to help the other Sistakaranam people climb the ladder, and as far as possible, help the poor students pursue education, competitive exams, etc. Always try to keep our flag high.

**Lekha wishes Sri Apparao garu, a regular reader of Lekha and community life-time award achiever the best of luck and tonnes of good health for continuing his community services.**

-- Interviewed by Sadasivuni Lakshmana Rao

-- Compiled by Mantri Narasimha Rao

## Support Arena

### Distribution of essentials in tribal villages

On Wednesday, January 10, 2024, Bharat Vikas Parishad, Lions, and Rotary Club collaborated to distribute essentials, clothes, blankets, towels, school books, test pads, toys, and more to the tribal villages near Paderu in Alluri district. Sekharamantri Prabhakar emphasized fulfilling their societal responsibility, particularly towards the tribal communities. He also participated in the community lunch with recipients.



### Distribution of dresses by Sudharani Trust



Sitanagaram Mandal, Baggandoravalasa Village, Sudharani Memorial Trust, Vizianagaram under the supervision of Trust President Sri M. P. G. Eshwara Rao distributed sarees, lungis and towel service program by AP Association els to the poor. In this program Village Sarpanch Officer Sri Narayana Rao, former C. D. C Chairman Sri Ramakrishna Rao, Sri Dharma Rao, Sri Shankara Rao and Sri M. P. Tirupati Rao participated.

### Distribution of blankets to Elders

Sri Kuppili Krishnamurthy through Satya Sai Seva Sanstha distributed blankets to the old people suffering from cold in Nellore and Kavali city.



### Dr. Arikathota Kanaka Raju Donations – January 24

1. Paid Rs 6000/- to Amnavodi Anadhashramam, Tampatapalli near Palakonda, Srikakulam Dist. It was established by Sri Anand Pal after retirement as a teacher. About 36 students, mostly poor tribals in Seethamapeta and Palakonda, are studying from 6th to Inter. All are studying in Govt. high schools. This year 3 students were selected in IIIT, Srikakulam. It is running since last 10 years for the benefit of poor and underprivileged. Dr. Arikathota Kanakaraju has been contributing to the Ashram for the last 5 years to run in good manner.



2. Distributed 25 Gantala Panchangams to Temples and Pandits.

3. Donated Rs. 6000/- to Ammaprema Anadha Ashramam, Tekkali. About 48 students were adopted studying from 5th to Inter in Govt schools. It is being run by Sri K. Ramarao, Rtd. teacher in his own building for last 10 years. Dr. Kanakaraju is contributing every year for the growth of students in education.



4. Donated Rs. 6000/- Arunodya Seva Samstha, Rajam. About 30 students studying 6th to Inter in Govt. schools have been adopted. It is managed by Sri Ravi Rtd. army person since 10 years. Dr. Kanakaraju is contributing every year for students education and living.

5. Distributed clothes to 30 people in old age home as well as beggars, on the occasion of Sankranthi. Sarees, nighties, lungis and towels were given to 15 members stayed in Khyati Foundation Oldage home, Dwarakanagar, near Shirdi Sai temple, Srikakulam. It is run by Shravani a young girl without any financial support but with inspiration of her parents. Home is running well but people may not know about old age home for financial support. Also distributed cloths to beggars at temples. Distribution to beggars has been done just like every year on Sankranti.



6. Donated Rs. 5000 to Sri Shirdi Sai Mandir committee for construction of New Sai Mandir in Sai Nagar colony, Srikakulam.



### Service program by Mother Theresa Club



On Saturday morning, December 30, 2023, "Mother Teresa Seva Sangam and Blood Donors Club" organized a compassionate event at Ayyannapet Junction, Vizianagaram. Blankets were distributed to around 100 underprivileged tribals from Tokuru, Limbaguda, and Kummarivalasa villages near Borra Caves in Tokuru Panchayat, Anantagiri Mandal. The initiative, led by President and Founder Tyada Prasad Patnaik, saw active participation from Seva Sangam members Jansirani, Sai Tanish, and Kiran.

The program was graced by chief guests Sarpanch Kilo. Mosya, village head Naraji Donnu, and Nadimivalasa school headmaster Sri Naraji Malleswara Rao and others also joined. Gratitude was extended to B. Ed classmate Malleswara Rao for his guidance, and special thanks were conveyed to Jhansirani, a friend and 10th classmate, for her self-funded journey from Tatipudi village to support the cause.

## Support Arena

### Sankranti gifts distribution & calendar release in Allipuram

The Sankranti gifts distribution program took place at Allipuram Sistakaranam Community Hall, hosted by the Visakhapatnam District Sistakaranam Association.



Sri Mantri Rajasekhar, the Chief guest, along with Intak leaders, extended Sankranti wishes to the Sistakaranam caste members. Expressing hope for the fulfillment of the long-standing OBC aspiration of Sishtakaranam, Sri S. N. K. Mahanty, President of AP Sishtakaranam Sangam, highlighted the potential improvement in civil servants' status through OBC status attainment. The event, chaired by Sri. Mantri Narasimhamurthy, included leaders like Arikathota Chandramouli, Dr. Sudhakar Patnaik, Sarva Sri Satya Rao, Donkada Anil Kumar, Jayati Umamaheswara Rao, H. M. Patro, N. Narasimha Rao, S. Ramesh, K. Chandramohan, D. Haranath, Gopi, Srinivasa Rao, Manapuram Suresh, and others. As part of the festivities, Sankranti gifts, including sarees, were distributed to some attendees.

### Donation on Late Sri AVJ's Wedding Anniversary



On January 5, 2024, at 3:00 p. m., the Sri Swati Vasanti Cultural Academy organized a significant event at the Pala Rati Mandir, Rajao Dari Kancharana, featuring the inauguration of the late AVJ's calendar by Smt. Leela Kumari. Attended by around 1000 people, including AVJ's family and villagers, the program saw the distribution of clothes, food packets, and new year calendars to the less fortunate. The dedicated support of AVJ's family members and the generous contributions from villagers, businessmen, and relatives ensured the program's success. Praises were showered on Sri AVJ's services, showcasing a remarkable display of community unity and philanthropy.

### Sankranti donations by Mother Theresa Club

On 13/01/2024 "Mother Teresa Seva Sangam and Blood Donors Club" distributed essential commodities and blankets to about 30 poor people of Vizianagaram town so that they may celebrate Sankranti festival for 3 days happily like everyone else, under the leadership of President of "Mother Teresa Seva Sangam", Tyada Prasad Patnaik, at Mother Teresa Kids School in Ayyannapet Junction. Honorary president of the association Tyada Venugopalam, members Srinivas, Jhansi, Tanish, Sathya Rao and others participated in this program.

### Sista Helping Hands Society Service Program 24

Sri. Baggam Rajesh Kumar, aged 42, residing at Siva Jyoti Enclave, Ayyannakoneru, Vizianagaram, holds a B. Tech and MBA. Despite a once prosperous life, engaged in work and business while assisting four individuals, fate took a turn. Last December, he experienced a brain hemorrhage leading to a major operation, followed by paralysis affecting his left hand and leg. The prolonged recovery process necessitates physiotherapy, incurring substantial medical expenses. Given the chronic nature of the illness and the challenges faced by the family, our Sista Helping Hands team, represented by Sri Pedapenki Hari Krishna, personally visited them, recognizing the urgent need for assistance.

Transfer can be made to the bank account number given below. We request everyone to reach out and help as much as possible.

Bank Account: Sista Helping Hands Society

Bank Name: Union Bank of India

Account No: 018512010001226

Account Type: Savings

Branch: Akkayapalem, Visakhapatnam

IFSC: UBIM0801852

### Distribution of new clothes at AVJ Smriti Vanam

On Sunday, 14-1-2024, in Kancharam village, Rajam Mandal, AV Jagannadha Rao Patnaik, President of the Sistakaranam BC Sadhana Committee, distributed new clothes to a thousand underprivileged individuals at Smriti Vanam. Sri AVSS Krishnarajuna, MD of J.Y.L.K.Tiles, presented the clothes in memory of his father Sri AVJ. The festive atmosphere at Smritivanam included Haridasa kirtans, bull dances, kite flying, and more as part of the earlier Sankranti celebrations. AV Ramanamma, AV Leelakumari, Priyanka, Murari, Leelavasanti, Uriti Gopalarao, Srinivasa Rao, Amiti Rajeswara Rao, YSRCP leader Potnuru Lakshmana Rao, and others actively participated. Congratulations to them for organizing this commendable service program.



### Saree distribution on Sankranti by Rajam Association

Under the auspices of Rajam Prantiya Sistakaranam Sangham, Sankranti sarees were distributed to Sistakaranam ladies in Rajam, Regidi, G. Sigadam, Santakaviti and Vangara mandals. Sangham elders Pakki Nagendra Rao, Uriti Sasibhushan Rao, Kallepalli Srinivas, Kondavalasa Madhusudana Rao, Balivada Nageswara Rao, Amiti Sriramulu, Kuppili Ramesh and others participated in this program conducted by the Association Sankranti Ceremony Convener Kurada Sivaprasad,.



## Support Arena

### Aditya Walkers donation at Old Age Home



President of Aditya Walkers Government distributed blankets and fruits to 70 different Janashram dependents to the poor and Walkers distributed sweets and biscuits to all.

The organizers of the Buddha Janashram, Sri Viranna BAL Prasad, Dr. Someswara Rao, Sri K. Krishnamurthy, Dr. Srinivas Patnaik, Sri Regidi Govinda Rao and others participated in the program.

### Request by Sista Helping Hands Society

Sista Helping Hands Society appeals to our dear community for support in our 24th service program. The family of Sri Bagga Rajesh Kumar is in need, seeking both financial assistance and job opportunities for stability. Rajesh's educated wife possesses system knowledge. If anyone can refer a job in the Vizianagaram area, please message the admin. Your efforts may make a significant impact. Thank you for your assistance.

### Essentials distribution to Hostels

Sri Akku Mahanti Raja, TDP BC Empowerment Activities State Convener, expressed



joy of aiding the needy with humanity during a charitable event in Machilipatnam Parasu Peta. On the birthday of TDP youth leader Nara Lokesh, the organization provided essential goods free to students in girls' hostel, where a cake was cut, and birthday wishes were extended to Nara Lokesh.

### Mother Teresa Club helps fire accident victims



On the morning of 18/01/2024, a fire devastated Chenchulu Colony in Ayyannapet village, leaving six families with only the clothes on their backs. Six houses were entirely consumed, resulting in the loss of all belongings, including children's clothes and books. Responding promptly, "Mother Teresa Seva Sangam Blood Donors Club" President, Sri Tyada Prasad Patnaik, and Secretary, Smt. Sravani offered support. They supplied 10 essential items, blankets, and towels for a week. Sangha members Sri Srinivas, Sri Kumar, and others actively participated in this compassionate initiative to aid the affected families during their time of distress.

### Service program by AP Association

President of Andhra Pradesh Sistakarana Sangham, Sri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao, and All India Sistakarana Sangam Organizing Secretary, Dr. Srinivas Patnaik, provided blankets to destitute orphans on Srikakulam town's main road on 9-1-2024 during severe cold days. This initiative is part of Sistakarana Sangam's service program.



### Clothes distribution on Sankranti by Garividi Association

On 13-1-2024 Saturday Sankranti celebrations were held in Garividi Sistakaranam Association building. As a part of this, distribution of clothes to economically weaker relatives was done through the hands of District Sistakaranam Association President Sri MP Gauriswara Rao and Honorary President Sri R. Anand Patnaik. Speaking on this occasion, District President Sri MP Gouriswara Rao said that everyone should stay together and be united and wished Sankranti to all relatives of Sistakaranam community in the district. Vice-President of the District Association Sri L. Prabath Kumar, President of Garividi Association Sri R. Srinivasa Rao, Secretary Sri Kottu Ramakrishna, Honorary President Sri V. Venkatesh, Founder Sri P. V. Ramana, working group members R. Govinda Rao, Parameswara Rao, R. Nageswara Rao, Balaji, Kottu Uma, state executive committee members P. Sankara Rao, and relatives of Garividi, Gurla and Meraka Mudi Damu mandals participated.



### Distribution of items in Anuraga Nilayam

On 17-1-2024 at Anuraga Nilayam, Magata Palli Ramanamurthy, Nagajyoti, and Dheeraj, organized by the Indian Red Cross Society, marked the birthday celebration of Sri Polumahanthi Venkata Sai Rajesh, District Fire Officer of Parvathipuram, who recently passed the APPSC Group 1 exams during the Sankranti festivities. Sri C.V.N Murthy and Sri Manchu Ananda Rao distributed meals, fruits, sweets, and new clothes to elderly residents and children at the old age home. Sri Polumahanthi Jaganmohana Rao, Baliwada Malleswara Rao, Lalitha, Asha, Bhavani, Jayamma, Appalanarasamma, Sai, Prakash, Sarveswara Rao, Yugandhar Garl, and Future Cloud Consulting owner B.V. N. Praised by S. Prabhu for their efforts. Notable participants included retired Deputy Director Animal Husbandry Department Dr. P. Jaganmohana Rao, physiotherapy experts Dr. Baggam Srinivasa Patnaik, P. Prabhakara Rao, Manoj (A.O Rims Srikakulam), Prashanth, Vasumathi, Bharti, Kalyani, Ramya, Dr. Sukrita, Sujatha, Haribabu, and Aditya Walkers Club founder Sri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao. Congratulations to all involved.



## Support Arena

### Donation of Rs. 10 lakhs for Annadana scheme

Devotee Smt. Raghupatruni Hemalatha of Palasa Kashi Bugga, Srikakulam district donated Rs. 10 lakhs to the Nitya Annadana scheme at Sri Varahalakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple in Simhachalam. She visited the temple and donated Rs. 5 lakhs in cash and another Rs. 5 lakhs in the form of a cheque.



### Distribution at Urban Homeless Shelter

1 bag of rice, 2 oil packets, tamarind, soaps were provided to the building of urban homeless run by Red Cross Society (Opposite Fire Office) under the direction of Sri Sai Krishna Walkers Club, club president Thaddi Adinarayana with his own funds.

- Tyada Ramakrishna Rao (Balu)

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### Donations at Parvathipuram

In celebration of the Sankranti festival on January 2, 2024, the Sista Karana Sangh elders of Parvathipuram town, led by Sri Belagam Jayaprakash Narayana, General Secretary of Andhra Pradesh Sishta Karana Sangam, organized their annual event for economically disadvantaged families. Sankranti gifts were distributed to 50 families, including essential commodities such as turmeric, sugar, rice, cowpea, groundnut, oil, potatoes, onion pods (worth Rs. 500), along with new clothes, sarees, panche, towels, apples, oranges, and a cash donation of 500/- for the day's expenses. This heartfelt gesture aimed to bring joy and support



### Sankranti donations by Sri Saikrishna Walkers Club

On 12-01-2024 under the auspices of Sri Saikrishna Walkers Club in Vizianagaram, new clothes & essentials were distributed to needy families. In this program senior members of Walker's Club, Sri Arikathota Tirupathi Rao, a retired Grameen Bank Manager, participated in this distribution program.



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### Dr. K Lakshman felicitated in Sistakaranams meeting

On the morning of January 7, 2024, a grand event unfolded at Subbalakshmi Kalyan Mandapam in Visakhapatnam Railway New Colony. Dr. Kova Laxman, Hon'ble Rajya Sabha Member and National President of BJP OBC Morcha, received a grand honor during the Sishtakarana Atmiyasammelan. The ceremony, attended by over 300 members of the Alindia Sishtakarana Sangam Executive Committee, featured dignitaries such as Sri Dabbiru Krishna Rao, President of AISK (All India Sistakaranam Association), Sri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao, and other association members.

The event commenced with Purnakumbhaswagam, Veda Shirvacham, and Dussalua in honor of Dr. Kova Laxman. Gajamalankrti followed, accompanied by the reading and presentation of a certificate of honor. Another Chief Guest, Honorary Member of Rajya Sabha Sri GVL Narasimha Rao, was also honored during the ceremony. Dr. Kova Laxman, in his speech, pledged to strive for the inclusion of socially, economically, and educationally backward castes in the Central BC list.

Presided over by Sri Polumahanthi Umama-

heswara Rao, President of Andhra Pradesh Sishtakaranasamgam, the Sishtakarana Atmiyasammelan saw the participation of about 300 delegates from both Telugu states. Sri Dabbiru Venkatakrishna Rao, President of Akhil Bharata Sishtakarana Sangam, urged Sishtakaranas to unite for the achievement of OBC goals.

A New Year Calendar 2024 published by AISK was unveiled by Dr. K. Laxman. Various District Sangha Nayaks, including Sri Dabbiru Srinivasa Rao, Sri Prabhakaradasu, Sri R. V. Y. Sharma, Sri Baliwada Haribabu, Sri Y. P. Gauriswara Rao, Sri Rega Suresh, and others, actively participated in the program.

The cultural responsibility for the event was taken up by Visakhapatnam District Cultural Society, with representatives from various regional cultural societies contributing to its success. Notable personalities, leaders, and members from different Sishtakarana Sangams, political parties, and celebrities attended, showcasing the unity and strength of Sishtakarana.

Chief Guest Dr. K. Laxman was honored with a Life Achievement Award, and Sri Balivada

Sivakumar Patnaik, First Vice-President of Andhra Pradesh Sishtakarana Sangam, and State Treasurer of BJP OBC Morcha, received congratulations for his key role in organizing the successful program.

Gratitude was expressed to the organizers, caterers who arranged the meat feast, and the large number of Sishtakarana Sangha leaders and members who contributed to the event's success.



### Sistakaranams honor Smt. Keerti Patnaik

Elders of the Sishtakarana caste in Vijayanagara district's Gantayada mandal, including Ramesh Garu, Muralimohan Garu, Srinivas Garu, Gandhigaru, Baggam Jogarao Garu, and others, honored Smt Kuppili Kirti Patnaik at her residence in Anglanagar, Murali Bank Kolani. Recognizing her tireless service to the poor, weak, and underprivileged through the Sridevi Vigyana Jyoti Paschal Trust for the past 21 years. She also received New Year and early Sankranti greetings and felicitations. The trust is run by her in the memory of Dr. Kuppili Trinadharao Patnaik focuses on empowering girl children.



### MCA Creations YouTube Channel

Smt. Manipatruni Bhagyalakshmi, President of MCA Creations, launched the MCA Creations YouTube Channel. Vice President Sri Manipatruni Ramakrishna announced uploads of short films, diverse programs, lyrics, dance, and music videos. Sri M Nageshwar Rao urged viewers to like and subscribe, encouraging broad support for the channel's content.



### 2024 Diary released by Seethammadhara Association

On 30.12.23, at Sripuram Junction Tycoon Hotel function hall, Seethammadhara Sishtakarana Sangam inaugurated their 2024 New Year Diary. The event was chaired by Seethammadhara Sishtakarana Sangam, with participation from Sangam Executive Committee members, Andhra Pradesh State Sishtakarana Sangam Treasurer Sri Badrimahanti Venkatarao, Visakhapatnam District Sishtakarana Sangam General Secretary Sri Balivada Haribabu, and District Sishtakarana Sangam President Sri Godaba Prabhakar Das. The unveiling ceremony, attended by esteemed Sishtakarana Bandhu dignitaries, introduced diaries crafted with comprehensive information about community, proving to be valuable for everyone.

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### Sistakaranams in Political Service



1. Members of Gajuwaka at TDP Jayaho BC Conference - On the occasion of the Jayaho B.C. conference, held at



the Mangalagiri Telugu Desam Party headquarters, with the participation of Telugu Desam National President Nara Chandrababu Naidu in the program of handing over campaign vehicles parliament constituencies wise, under the leadership of Telugu Desam Sistakarana Sadhikarika Samiti State Convener Akkumuhanthi Raja, Gajuwaka Constituency Sistakarana Sadhikarika Samiti Visakhapatnam District Convener Balivada Sathya Rao, Convener Pratap Rao Srinivas, State Sistakarana Sadhikarika Samiti Member Basangi Tirupati Rao, Sistakarana clan elders Nagumanthri Venkateswara Rao, K. Kavitha, Mahendra Patnaik and others along with Chandrababu Naidu submitted a petition pleading the plight of Sistakaranam caste in the state and the need for OBC.

2. On the occasion of BJP's Sankranti celebrations, our Community leaders participated including Smt.



Kurada Pavani, Sekharamantri Prabhakar, Sekharamantri Ramamohana Rao, Mantri Salivahana.

3. Ms. Dabbiru Prashanthi Patnaik Visakha District Women's Wing Leader YSRCP congratulated Ms. Botsa Jhansi who was appointed as the MP candidate of YSR Congress Party Visakha District.



4. If directed by the BJP party, I am ready to contest as their candidate in the Bhimili Constituency. V. Prasada Rao Patnaik, a dedicated worker in public service for 44 years, expressed his interest in running for MLA and provided his bio-data as requested by party leaders. Having served various roles in the BJP, including Mandal Party President, Kisan Morcha Uttarandhra Zone Social Media Convener, and currently as the Visakha District Kisan Morcha President, Patnaik is committed to the party's values. The Shri Subha Balaram Charita-



ble Seva Trust, founded by him, has been contributing to Bhimili constituency through blood donation camps, medical camps, educational support, and social initiatives for the past 25 years, fostering unity among diverse social classes

5. On January 19, 2024, around 60 families from Rellivalasa Village, Narasannapet Mandal, Narasannapet Constituency, joined the Telugu Desam Party under the leadership of former legislator Sri Baggu Ramanamurthy and YCP Sarpanch Sri Dabbaru Kiran Chand Pattaik. Honorary MP Shri Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu and district Telugu Desam Party leaders and activists were actively involved in this program.



6. MLA Sri Ganababu spoke for Sishtakarana at the BC Open House in Industrial Area, Visakhapatnam West Constituency. Convener Balivada Sathya Rao and Assembly Convener Smt. Kavitha Patnaik from Telugu Desam Visakhapatnam District Sishtakarana Empowerment Committee were present.



7. In anticipation of a resounding victory in the upcoming elections, Sri Akkumuhanthi Raja, President of the State Empowerment Committee, leads a dedicated effort. Supported by numerous caste elders, ardent Telugu Desam Party enthusiasts, and steadfast Gajuwaka community elders, including 75-year-olds, the commitment to the party remains unwavering. During the Jayaho BC program, MLA Sri Ganababu, Sri Bharat, Sri Pratap Rao Srinivasa Rao, and Smt. Chandramahanthi expressed solidarity, with a special tribute to Sri Potnuru Phanindra, actively campaigning. Kavitha Patnaik received a grand acknowledgment alongside other esteemed party leaders and caste elders.



8. Preparing for the election campaign, Smt. Anusha Patnaik, Chairperson of the Sishtakaranam Corporation, joined Hon'ble CM Sri YS



Jaganmohan Reddy in heralding the triumphant celebration for the upcoming 2024 elections.

9. In the Narasannapet town of Srikakulam Parliament Segment, Babu Surety stands as a symbol of assurance for the future. During the manifesto campaign, Sishtakarana caste members traversed neighborhoods, passionately advocating the necessity of TDP govt for state development. On January 28, 2024, in Narasannapet Thalassamudram Ampalam, local BC caste families, united with all SKs, expressed dissent against unilateral government decisions. The event witnessed the presence of Andhra Pradesh State Committee Convener Akkumuhanthi Raja, Working Committee members Sadashivuni Rambabu, Visakhapatnam Parliament Convener Baliwada Satya Rao Garlu, and local Telugu leaders. Advocates included B Ramanamurthy, DRaghu, B Krishnarao, K Venkataramana, C Ramesh, Ci Govinda, U. Krishnamohan, Ramana Choudhary, Srinu Krishna Patnaik, and others. Emphasizing the state's need for Chandrababu, they reiterated their aspiration for him to become CM, continuing the march. Our SK members highlighted various issues, seeking resolutions from local leaders.



## Special Issue Launch Invitation

Sistakaranam Youth and Sistakaranam Foundation will release a special issue com-



compiling their activities done and ongoing over the past four years. The program will be held in the presence of the stalwarts on the Sunday 4th of this month in a function hall near the Visakhapatnam complex. We invite you all to come and make our program a success and accept our hospitality. Yours, Manapuram Suresh Kumar, Venum Veerababu, Maradamu Ravikant, Raghupatruni Ramesh, Karakavalasa Sridevi, Shekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, Behara Rajesh Kumar, Uriti Siddhartha Patnaik, Naupada Narsingh, Dabbiru Vasantha Lakshmi, Dabbiru Gayatri and family members.

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### Smt. Kurada Pavani in Sankranti Celebrations

Smt Kurada Pavani, our esteemed leader, and a special invitee of the BJP OBC Morcha, is energetically engaged in meticulously organizing the grand Sankranti celebrations in Visakhapatnam. The event, spanning from January 10 to January 12, 2024, featured diverse activities such as the Inauguration Puja Muggula Competition, Rural Festival Atmosphere Stalls, Atapata of bulls,, Women's Kolatam Dances, and a unique display of Sankranti-themed cartoons by various artists. Smt. Kurada Pavani's dedicated efforts in managing recruitment arrangements reflect her unwavering commitment, earning well-deserved congratulations from dignitaries like Shri Mantri Salivahana and others.



### New Year gathering by Vizianagaram Association

The Vizianagaram District Sishta Karana Sangam organized a New Year celebration at Brindavanam Apartments, bringing together relatives of the Sishta Karana caste. Sri MP Gouriswara Rao, the president of the district association, graced the event as the chief guest. Emphasizing the importance of unity among honorable individuals, he encouraged everyone to engage in positive and beneficial activities. The event featured the unveiling of a recently conducted wedding introduction book and the New Year calendar, followed by a cake-cutting ceremony to welcome 2024.

Attendees, representing the state, district, mandal, and villages, bid farewell to 2023 and expressed wishes for a prosperous New Year. The collective hope is for every family to thrive with happiness and health in 2024, fostering unity and prosperity in the OBC community.

Prominent figures present included State Sishta Karan Sangam Vice President Baggam Sudhakar Patnaik, District Sishta Karan Sangam Treasurer Vandrangi Venkatesh, District Associate President Sri Uriti Shashi Bhushana Rao, and other local leaders. Representatives from Urban Sishta Karan Sangham, All India Sishta Karan Sangham Vice-Presidents, and members of the working group and caste relatives from various mandals actively participated in the celebration held under the auspices of the Vizianagaram District Sishta Karana Sangam.



### Kapileswarananda Giri Maharaj condolence meeting

A condolence meeting for Shri U. Sundaranarayana Rao took place at a private hostel in Srikakulam, Patnam, on January 18, 2024, at 11:00 hrs. Chaired by Shri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao, President of Andhra Pradesh Sishtakarana Sangam, the meeting paid tribute to Narayana Rao, born on May 17, 1966, in Raipur. Having become Lokakalyanardham Swamiji, he practiced yoga in Rishikesh and Haridwar. The Sangam extends heartfelt condolences to Narayana Raogaru's family, expressing wishes for the repose of their souls after his passing on January 1, 2024.



### Swami Vivekananda birthday celebrations

On 12-1-2024 Swami Vivekananda Jayanti celebrations were grandly organized at the local old age home under the auspices of Aditya Walkers Club of Srikakulam town. In this program, the founders of the Walkers Club, the president of the Andhra Pradesh Sishtakarana Sangam Sri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao, Dr. Baggam Srinivas Patnaik and others participated. Let's congratulate them.



### "Anjaniputra Chiranjeevi Walkers Club" organizes National Youth Day

Anjaniputra Chiranjeevi Walkers Club marked National Youth Day with a morning walk at the new walking track in Ayyannapet, Kamakshi Nagar. The event, led by Tyada Ramakrishna Rao (Balu), the club's founder president and Vizianagaram District Chiranjeevi Youth President, included the felicitation of Tyada Prasad Patnaik, founder president of Mother Teresa Prajaseva Sangam Blood Donors Club, for their dedicated service, with recognition from Arikathota Tirupati Rao and Sri Sai Krishna Walkers Club President Thaddi Adinarayana.



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### Visakhapatnam Association in GVL's Sankranti celebrations

Led by President Sri Godaba Gauri Prabhakar Das, a delegation from the Visakhapatnam District Sishtakaranam Association Executive Committee, including General Secretary Sri Baliwada Haribabu, actively participated in the Sri GVL Narasimha Gari Sankranti celebrations. Shree Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao toured every stall, warmly greeting attendees. The affordable prices of clothing and other items at various stalls left a positive impression. The Visakhapatnam district Sishtakarana community expressed wholehearted support, lauding GVL for orchestrating such a grand event. Recognizing GVL as a unique political figure, the committee emphasized that the public values their valuable time and services in the rapidly developing Visakhapatnam. Sarvasri Thumbali Prasada Rao, Baliwada Gopinath, Pavani Murthy Patnaik, Dr. Suresh Lambodara Rao, Bhasuru Srinivas, and others actively participated in the event.



### Our goal is Sistakaranams development – Anil Kumar

Lion Donkada Anil Kumar, the State Associate President, articulated their commitment to skill development during an intimate gathering at the PM Palam, Sishtakarana Seva Sangam office in GVMC's 6th Ward. The President of Sishtakarana Seva Sangam, N. K Mahanty, and State Chief Secretary Arikathota Chandramouli graced the meeting. The speakers highlighted that, as per the suggestion of Anusha Patnaik, Chairperson of Andhra Pradesh State Sishtakarana Welfare Development Corporation, individuals are encouraged to clearly state their caste as Sishtakarana and belonging to BC-D during the ambitious caste census program by the state government. They emphasized the need to confirm the caste once Aadhaar card details are obtained, posting the information on the website. Corrections can be made through village secretariat staff or volunteers. State Chief Secretary Arikathota Chandramouli is available for clarifications. The program concluded with the felicitation of numerous dignitaries, including Mantri Rajasekhar, Women President Dabbiru Prashanthi, Organizing Secretary Jayathi Umamaheswara Rao, Vice Presidents Shekhar Mahanti Srinivas, N. N. Rao, Mi Lakshmi, Honorary President Dr. Sudhakar Patnaik, Chief Secretary Mantri Murthy, Treasurer Dadirao Harinath, and members of PM Palam Sishtakarana Sangam.



### Calendar release by PM Palam and Sri HelpAll associations

On Friday, the PM Palam Sishtakarana Seva Sangam, along with Shrihel's All Association, conducted special prayers at Christ Church in White Billings, Rajiv Grihakalpa, Paridhimarikavalasa, 5th Ward, Maha Visakha. The new 2024 calendar was unveiled under the joint management of Church Pastor, Sangha President Lion Donkada Anilkumar, and Sangha members. Anil Kumar expressed that the service programs benefiting the community have been included in the Calendar. The event was attended by various dignitaries, including Assistant Secretary Ramya, Y Santosh Kumar, G Kushpu, General Secretary M Lakshmi, Treasurer Padi Godava Gowri, Nammi Santoshi, Satya Parvathi, Tejaswini, Churchkanakamahalakshmi, Vice President Lion Donkada Vasantha, Mary, and others.



### Awards increase responsibilities

Mantri Shyam Prasad, State Secretary of Human Rights Council said that awards increase the responsibilities and we should move forward with the same spirit. He participated in the meeting organized by the Kurmannapalem Sishtakaranams Association and said that recognition is gained through services, that the services provided by the association are remarkable and that he will give his full support to expand these services. State Social Media Chairman Sun Murthy said that Kurmannapalem Association is a model for various associations in the district and this is a matter of pride.



PVNV Murthy, an ex-soldier, said that the veteran service award was received with the help of all. Later, the awardee was honored and presented with a memento. Secretary Sri D. Satya Rao said that getting the award is a good thing and he wants to achieve more awards with this spirit. PVSN Gopal, District Secretary Sri Mantri Narasimha Murthy, representatives Sri D. Gurunadha Rao, K Ravindra, KSR Patnaik, BVN Krishna, Babu Patnaik, Kishore, Prasad, RLSY Srinu, Prasada Rao, Shankar, Kalyani, Varalakshmi, Charan participated in the program.

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## Nagpur Get together – Haldi Kumkuma



Periodical community activities are the crying need of the hour to unite each other. Families to meet personally and to promote mutual relations and to develop our culture. President Sri D. Krishna Kumar is immensely extolled that SKA/NGP is doing relentless services to promote its organisation by organising various programmes at short intervals. We need to be inspired by their activities and to organise such kind of activities in our respective states also from time to time. Kudos to SKA/NGP.

Celebrated on 28.01.2024 “Haldi Kumkuma Event” was a great success.



President Sri D.K rishna Kumar, Secretary Ramesh Patnaik, Guest of honour Smt Balivada Sujatha addressed with speeches. Anchoring was done by Sri P.Srinivas. Garlanding and lighting to Lord Balaji was at the hands of Sri V.M.M.Rao, Sri Uday Patnaik and others. Felicitation to Newly married couple came from Germany Smt Aditi nd Sri Aditya S/o Ramesh Patnaik Nagpur.

Lunch and High Tea was arranged. Families enjoyed various activities.. Balloon dance was enjoyed by gents while ladies enjoyed musical chairs by passing coconut. Smt Balivada Sujatha conducted one more event, especially for the Ladies. Quiz Program was conducted where 27 members participated, The average score was 6.7 & average time was 7.51 minutes. Results were declared whose scores were, Srinivas Raghupatro -17.5, R Himanshu -15, P Srinivas Rao Patnaik -12.5, Balivada Sai Rohit -10, B Sujatha -9.5, Lata -9.5, R. Janvi -9.

Overall the organizing committee arranged



## Samaroh by Raipur Mandal

Sri Nagu Mantri Maheshwar, President of the Chhattisgarh Sistakaranam Association in Raipur, led the cherished Utsav Samaroh of Sri Rama Mandir. The Utsav were organized by the Train Manager Parivar, Raipur Mandal at H Cabin Shiva Mandir, BMY, Charoda.



a wonderful program, delicious food and the reunion, with the spirit of oneness amongst all Sistakaranams.



# Kalam Snehitulu



## Sistakaranam in Literary Service – January 2024

1. Sarathkavi Dabburu, who participated in the Godavari Kavita Lahiri, was felicitated by "Seva" head Sri Kancharla Subbanaidugaru, tag line king Sri Alapathi, amidst the cheers of 50 poets for singing a poem entitled "Naukayatralo Kavana Soundaryam".



2. Sri Kudama Tirumala Rao, who works as a social science teacher at Voni Mandal Parishad Primary School, received another rare honour. Appreciating him for his continuous work in the fields of education, social, literature, art and service, Rama Raju Charitable Trust (Patapatnam) awarded him the Appreciation Award.



3. Sri Pakki Ravindranath, our Sistakaranam poet and literary man Parvathipuram resident who was present as the main speaker in the Sahitya Sabha held under the auspices of Ajo-Vibho-Kandalam Foundation at Kalabharat, Visakhapatnam on 5-1-2024



4. Certificate of Appreciation by Mahathi Sahitya for Smt. Kirti Patnaik for her poem on Ayodhya Ramayya.



5. Principal Bhogela Umamaheswara Rao directed the Vemana Jayantotsavam at Adavaram Primary School in Gara Mandal, celebrating the eminent public poet Vemana. Emphasizing Vemana's contributions, the principal highlighted the poet's significant role in promoting moral values through his impactful Telugu poems. Recognizing Vemana's influence on Telugu society, he praised the poet's playful yet profound verses, asserting Vemana's enduring place in the social history of Telugu literature. He said that Vemana's timeless poems will resonate throughout the evolution of human society. During the event, selected Vemana verses, such as melipandu choodu melimai undunu, chikki unna vela, neetiloni wratha, uppu kappurambu, nellaloni meenu, anuvugani chotu, cheppuloan rayi, atmasuddhi leni were recited, fostering a deeper understanding among the students.



6. Tirumala Rao received a letter of appreciation from Sri Ramamrita, acknowledging the invitation to contribute poems to Kavitsotsavam.



7. On January 15, 2024, Shekharamantri Prabhakar received a certificate of appreciation for his Sankranthi poem 'Namamandiram' during celebrations at Andhra University, Visakha, organized by MP Shri GVL Narasimha Rao.



8. Among the poets who participated in the online poetry gathering organized by the Hyderabad-based Telugu Velugu Sahitya Jatiya-vedika on the topic of Suspicion-Shame-Admiration-Inequality some of our Sishtakaranam poets stood out.

Telugu Velugu Sahitya Jatiya-vedika



1) Dr. Dabburu Srikanth

2) Dr. P Simhachalam (Lion Shivajipatnaik)

3) Sri Udand Rao Ramanababu'



4) Sri Patnaik's Ramakrishna Rao (Rama Tata)

5) Vishnumahanti Taraka Rama Mohana Rao, Bhadrachalam

6) Sri TPR Patnaik

7) Dr. Bhogila Umamaheswara Rao

8) Sri Baliwada Venugopala Rao, Hyderabad

9) Arasada Surya Narayana Rao

Let's congratulate them. Let us also thank the members of the management team Sri Pakki Murthy, Sri Moturi Narayana Rao and others.

-Compiled by J,VChandrababu

# Kalam Snehitulu

## Chitra Kavitalu



As per our group's regulation, Chitra Kavitalu is held every Wednesday. Members are asked to look at a picture and write thoughtfully expressed poems, not more than 10 lines. Alongside here are the pictures that were given during the month of December 2023.

- Gauriprasad Karakavalasa, Chitra Kavitalu Organizer  
Admins team, Kalam Snehithulu Kalavedika



## Sistakaranam poets in International Telugu Conference

On 5-1-2024, 6-1-2024 and 7-1-2024, the 2nd International Telugu Mahasabhas were grandly held at Neerajananga Rajamahendravaram to mark the coronation millennium celebrations of Sri Rajarajanarendra. Apart from many poet scholars, governors of 5 states and central ministers, thousands of academicians and students attended. 12 Sishtakarana poets participated in the Kavi Sammelan held on this occasion. Here are the details as far as we have received.

1. Our eminent poet and litterateur Sarathkavi (DVR Murthy) who reached Hyderabad participated and recited the title "Telugu Kavana Bhuvanam" and received appreciation and honors for his poetry.
2. Sri Dabbiru Govinda Rao, a renowned poet, literary scholar and headmaster of Kotabommali, was praised by singing poetry in Telugu Mahasabhas.
3. Sri Kuppili Venkataraja Rao, Sishtakaranam Upadhyay and poet from Amadala-valasa on the stage of Narayana Bhattu International Telugu Mahasabha read the poem "Veligishuma Deepakalika" and received a medal, a medal and a certificate of appreciation from the organizers through the hands of Kolluri Padmaja, the coordinator of the program.
4. Sri Manipatruni Nageswara Rao, Principal of Muddada School, Etcherla Mandal, won a gold medal for the poem "Let's save our Telugu mother" which he read in the second international conference.



5. It is also understood that M/s Moturi Narayana Rao, Bhogila Swati, Karakavalasa Vasavi, Saluru Santoshi, Bhogila Umamaheswara Rao, Rama Tata, Smt. Murahari Rao Umagandhi also participated.



## Vivaha Vedika



# Vivaha Vedika

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Vivaha Vedika is a new initiative from Lekha. Being a sensitive subject, we are wary of the pitfalls in managing the function of match-making. We are, therefore, starting with just a handful of prospective brides and grooms. Please excuse us for any errors, omissions or misrepresentations. This will be an evolving initiative, and we will improve as the time goes by.

### Prospective Brides & Grooms



Name	SRUJANA
Surname	VANGARA
Father's Name	V.RAMESH KUMAR
Gotram	BHARADWAJA
Date of Birth	15-Aug-1996
Nakshatram	MAGHA
Height	5' 2"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	

Name	PAVANI
Surname	PATNAYAKUNI
Father's Name	P.UMA MAHESWAR
Gotram	KASYAPA
Date of Birth	24-Oct-2000
Nakshatram	UTTARASHADA
Height	5' 3"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE CAPGEMINI
Work Place	BENGALURU
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	ONLY SON REQUIRE ; NO OVERSEAS MATCH

Name	PRATYUSHA
Surname	BUSAYAVALLASA
Father's Name	BVS.SATYANARAYANA
Gotram	MANDAVYA
Date of Birth	15-Sep-1996
Nakshatram	HASTHA
Height	5' 5"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE SQUAD STACK SOFTWARE
Work Place	BANGALORE
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	NO ABROAD, PAN-INDIA, SOFTWARE



Name	SRI RAMACHANDRA
Surname	KONDALAMAHANTY
Father's Name	K.VENKATA RAMANA
Gotram	NAGASIRI
Date of Birth	24-Jan-1986
Nakshatram	PUNARVASHU
Height	5' 6"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE ERNST & YOUNG
Work Place	GURGAO, DELHI
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	DOB "87-"93, PAN- INDIA, NO DOWRY

Name	VIJAY RAKESH
Surname	MUNGANDA
Father's Name	V.V.SATYANARAYANA
Gotram	KASYAPA
Date of Birth	13-May-1995
Nakshatram	CHITTA
Height	5' 4"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE NAGARRO (GERMANY)
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	

Name	UDAY KUMAR PATNAIK
Surname	MADAVA MAHANTHI
Father's Name	KRISHNA CHANDRA
Gotram	NAGESWARA
Date of Birth	12-May-1997
Nakshatram	PUSHYAMI
Height	5' 2"
Complexion	TAN
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE PHARMA CO. MARS
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	
Preference	ABOVE INTER ; PAN-INDIA;

Name	ASHOK
Surname	MANTRI
Father's Name	LATE LAVA KUMAR
Gotram	KONDINYA
Date of Birth	28-Nov-1988
Nakshatram	PUSHYAMI
Height	5' 6"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	BUSINESS TOURS & TRAVELS; GOVT, CIVIL
Work Place	MAHARASHTRA
Education	
Preference	DOB - "89-"94 ; PAN- INDIA;

Name	SUNIL KUMAR PATNAIK
Surname	BALIWADA
Father's Name	B.SRINIVAS PATNAIK
Gotram	SANDALYA
Date of Birth	3-Sep-1995
Nakshatram	JYESTA
Height	5' 9"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE SRI CHAITANYA PROJECTS
Work Place	SUDERGARH ,ORISSA
Education	
Preference	ANY CIVIL DEGREE, PAN- INDIA,

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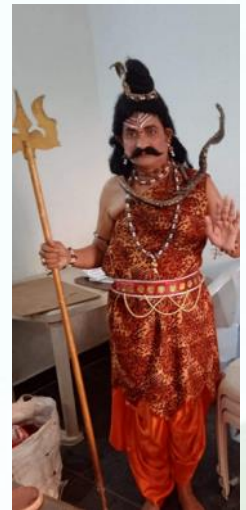
# Talent Corner

## Umakavi regales in acting

Dr. Bhogela Umamaheswara Rao, the head teacher at Adavaram Primary School in Gara Mandal, Srikakulam district, also serves as the president of Sahitya Chaitanya Kiranalu and Bhala Kadanilayam. Known as Umakavi, he has written over 1000 stories covering diverse social topics, historical accounts of famous individuals, and poems. Additionally, he engages students in short skits, addressing themes like Raithe Raju, Edukothammuda, Atyavarasalu, Janapadam, Rela Rela Re, and Kimmi Santhosh in Srikakulam city.

gan in Gummalakshmpuram High School, where, encouraged by the drawing master Venkata Rao, Umakavi started as Lohitas, performing folk dances during the Ammavari festival in Nijhguda village. Over time, he portrayed characters like Sri Rama & Arjuna during Gummalakshmpuram Ammavari panduga & showcased an excellent performance as Sundarachari in Shankarambadi, also taking on the role of a magician.

Participating in cultural events, Umakavi, under the auspices of Srinivasa Natya Mandali, portrayed Lord Shiva and Markundeyu with remarkable acting skills in a mythological skit. As Narada, he also delivered a captivating performance. On special occasions like Gurjada Apparao Jayanti, Abdul Kalam Jayanti, and Gandhi Jayanti, Umakavi dressed as the respective personalities, involving students in similar enactments of Gidugu, Molla, Jhansi Lakshmibai, Vemana, Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, and Pandit. His artistic journey be-



## Health Page

### Breast Cancer Awareness Month - Doctor Kuppili Suresh Babu

Breast Cancer Awareness Month is observed every October, drawing attention to the significant impact of breast cancer, the foremost cancer affecting women in our country. The campaign aims to address the critical issue of delayed medical consultation among Indian women, often resulting in fatal outcomes due to ignorance or lack of awareness about breast cancer. The international symbol for breast cancer awareness is the pink ribbon.



As part of community service and in line with breast cancer awareness, Dr. Kuppili Suresh Babu, the convener of DPMP Association of India - Visakhapatnam Department of Social Public Physicians, sheds light on the nature of breast cancer. He explains that breast cancer involves the abnormal growth of tissues, forming a lump that causes severe pain. If left unchecked, it progresses relentlessly, becoming life-threatening. Understanding the risk factors is crucial, with a genetic predisposition being a significant one. Individuals with a family history of breast cancer are at a higher risk, especially female family members.

The likelihood of developing breast cancer increases with age, being more common in individuals above 40 compared to younger women. Certain factors, such as early or late onset of menstruation and childlessness, contribute to heightened susceptibility. Additionally, obesity and dietary habits play a role, as overweight individuals, especially those with high-fat diets, stimulate estrogen hormone production, fueling tumor growth. Tobacco and alcohol consumption, particularly among smokers, also elevate the risk of breast cancer.

Recognizing the symptoms is pivotal for early detection. Signs include sore breasts, reddening of breast skin, nipple rash, sores, nipple discharge, and inverted nipples. Diagnostic tests, such as fine needle aspiration or biopsy, and mammography, are essential for breast cancer diagnosis.

Dr. Kuppili Suresh Babu emphasizes the urgency of spreading awareness to prompt timely medical intervention and curb the devastating impact of breast cancer. Breast Cancer Awareness Month serves as a crucial platform to educate the public about symptoms, prevention, treatment, and diagnosis, fostering a proactive approach towards combating this prevalent and life-threatening disease.

Support from friends, family, and caregivers is vital for cancer patients facing depression. Dr. Suresh advocates for moral and social support to help individuals overcome this challenging phase and raises awareness about cancer.

## Our Treasures

### Choice

Ramana Maharshi was asked several times whether there is a choice exists for human beings to decide. His answer was that in fact there is no choice for human beings. He maintained the same answer different times. It is worthwhile to ponder on this point. The reality is without time, and there is no sequential timesense, at soul level. Time is a sense created by mind and in the earthly life. As a matter of fact before a birth is taken, the soul is in a state of consolidated observation of time, and the individual can see the entire life time as a single pointed observation. The beings before they take the birth they comprehend the entire life as a single aspect. It is known in spiritual discussions that before taking the birth, everything has been already decided by the individual usually with the help of guides or gurus.



*Giridhar is a spiritual seeker graced by realized Gurus Shri Badarinayanji and Leslie Temple Thurston.*

The worldly life one lives is simply reliving of what has been conceived before the birth. The purpose of the birth is to experience in a dense worldly life, what ever has been conceived before the birth. Hence Ramana Maharshi says, there is no choice in this life and every thing has been already designed and we just have to live it. It has been decided from a higher dimension than this 3 dimensional world. All decisions such as whom to marry, whether to conceive children, what profession to pursue etc, and everything has been decided a priori. The veil of maya creates an impression that we as human beings, are deciding, and the cause and effect is in working. The decision making is a mere illusion. Knowing this can help, the sadhaks with a better experience of the worldly matters. One need not, get too much engrossed and involved in the decision making and carried away with the emotions of longing and discouragements of lack of progress. It helps the individual to be able to surrender better. Surrender is not only to Guru or paramatma, but to the nature that is supporting us. When we know that we as worldly beings are not the decision makers, our personality surrenders to the natural happenings, and we create a profound experience for us. The effect of maya, of the bindings, and the complexities of society, do not bother us and hinder our evolutionary progress.

It is this knowledge many lack and get caught up in the acts of planning, longing and doership. It needs a lot of practise, to be able to delink ourselves of the choices we make. The bonding is very deeply ingrained into our personality, and one has to be thoroughly disciplined to inculcate the fact that we are not the doers. Such a journey of non-doership creates a profound and smooth sailing experience to the jeevi.

## Iky Vedika Column

### “SOL News” Calendar Launch

Sri Pratapa Raju met with Ikyavedika members at Malkajgiri, Hyderabad, to launch the “SOL News” calendar 2024 on 27-01-2024.



### Speak Out

#### A rewarding experience

A rewarding experience to go thru this issue. Again my greetings to the Editorial team.

- NRB Patnaik, Bankers Group.

#### Appreciate your dedicated work

Thank you so much for sharing the monthly newsletter. I really appreciate your dedicated work to the community. Warm Wishes.

- UJM Rao

#### Great work!

Congratulations and Thanks to Sistakaranam Lekha Team for your dedication and publishing every month about our community in monthly magazine. Now it reaches more than 25 pages Sistakaranam Lekha magazine. Really it is great work which you are doing towards our community!

- Srinu, AISKA group

#### Heartiest Congratulations

My heartiest congratulations to the editorial team. Thanks to M/s J. Chandrababu, Vandana, Ravi, Shilpa, Narasimha Rao, Sridhar, Arti Patnaik, and Narahari Nath.

Special thanks to Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao.

- Singumahanthi Murali Bhagavan

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Coming Soon...

### Lekha Annual Awards

#### WHICH SHALL BE ...

- A festive half-day program
- Attended by winners and invitees from across India

#### WITH WINNERS CHOSEN ...

- Through an objective nomination process
- By a Panel of Judges

#### TO ACKNOWLEDGE ...

- Philanthrophists
- Poets / Authors
- Entrepreneurs
- Talented Artists
- YouTubers
- NewsMakers
- Community Stalwarts



Watch out for more details  
on different platforms...

Remember the above teaser from the last Lekha issue?

After the huge success of our Sistakaranam Lekha newsmagazine, the next big thing that we are planning from the stables of Sistakaranam Ikyavedika is the “Lekha Annual Awards”. As evident it will be an event where we want to honor worthy individuals from our community in a grand, colorful awards ceremony.

Our vision is that a “Lekha Award” should be something that is very coveted, it should be something that really sets apart the winner as really deserving, and something that is not easy to attain. So, we are putting in place a comprehensive process to identify the winners.

Firstly, there will be a nomination phase where anyone can nominate any Sistakaranam in a given category. This will be accomplished primarily through an online form. Next, for each category, we will appoint a jury of 3-4 judges who will evaluate the nominations. The members of the jury shall be accomplished Sistakaranams who are recognized as objective individuals who are very knowledgeable about our community affairs. Simultaneously our organizing team will compile the credentials and the track record of the nominees, and provide their information to the jury. The judges will then be asked to rate each nominee on 3 clear parameters. Finally, the ratings from individuals judges will be consolidated to arrive at the final award winner, and a few runners-up.

Well, dear readers, it is all coming soon! Wait for more details...

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