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HAPPY NEW YEAR 2025

May God bless your family with prosperity, good health, and happiness in the New Year.

AS WE BRING YOU THE Golden 50th Issue

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Community News

Lekha Annual Awards 2024 - A colorful extravaganza

The first ever "Lekha Annual Awards" was conducted with much pomp and gaiety on the first weekend of December, 2024, at NI-MSME auditorium. Originally scheduled only for Saturday December 7th, it was extended to Sunday as well on a special request from our Sistakaranam leaders from APSKA .

55 awards were given away to Sistakaranams from around the world in 11 different categories to winners who were de-



termined through a comprehensive nomination and judgment process that was conducted in an objective and transparent process spanning a couple of months before the event. A few mementoes/ awards were also given to handpicked stalwarts during the event.

Sistakaranams from all over attended the event, with the highlight being our relatives traveling from West Bengal, Odisha and Andhra Pradesh traveling in a train coach, and then a TSRTC bus specially booked for the purpose, both directions.

Accommodation was also provided for outstation delegates in the sprawling NI-MSME campus. Adequate food arrangements were made for both days.

The event, which was conducted by Sistakaranam Ikyavedika commemorating the 4th anniversary of their newsletter "Sistakaranam Lekha", was well supported by many community members, especially several sponsors who generously donated for the cause and external judges who supported the team during the

nomination & evaluation process.

The response to the event, especially the following few days, has been phenomenal being considered a never-before happening, and with a general sense of looking forward to it next year again!

Detailed Event Report next week!

Our readers are used to the first Sunday experience of receiving and cherishing Lekha every month. This month they can look forward to something on the second Sunday also!

We will be releasing a special event report covering the details of Lekha Annual Awards 2024. Those who have attended the event, those who watched it live on YouTube and those who have missed it, can relive all the precious moments by going through the report.

Behara's... a soulful union



In times when human relationships are growing distant

When the significance of bonds and values is being overlooked

To pass on traditions and values to future generations

With the intention of fostering an understanding of familial connections

And how to interact harmoniously within society

a heartfelt gathering was held on Sunday, November 8th, at the SVN Lake Palace, Vizianagaram. This event brought together the descendants of the late Sri Balaramayya and Srimati Shantamma from the Behera family of Burja village, Seethanagaram Mandal.

The reunion was graced by elders spanning five generations, including a 90-year-old elder from Chellimpeta, Balijipeta Man-

dal, who enthusiastically attended in a wheelchair. They shared their life experiences, imparted moral values to the younger generation, and emphasized the necessity of human values while reminiscing about the sweetness of bygone days. Approximately 200 family members, spread across different parts of the country, attended the event. The gathering was filled with a unique joy and togetherness, highlighting the profound emotional connection shared among family members. The efforts of the organizers in hosting such a beautiful and meaningful event were deeply appreciated, and they were blessed for their dedication and commitment to family unity.

- Behera Nagabhusanarao



Community News

Sistakaranams in Political Arena

1) Narsipatnam resident, late Gajrao Sudarshan's grandson, late Dabbiru Sivaprasada Rao's son, Sistakaranam politician Sri Dabbeeru Srikanth has been elected as the 28th ward councillor of Narsipatnam Municipality on behalf of tdp party and has been serving since 2022.



2) Sri Prasad Patnaik participated in the Awareness Program on Prime Minister's Surya Ghar Yojana Held in Vellanki Village.



3) Sri Baliwada Shivakumar Patnaik with Mandali Chairman Sri Vishnu Kumar Raju and MLC.



4) The Women's President of Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association and YSR Congress Party Visakhapatnam District General Secretary, Smt. Dabiru Prashanthi Patnaik, met with Sri YS Jagan Mohan Reddy at the Tadepalli Camp Office in a courtesy call.



5) Avilala Sridhar, Co-convenor of Karanam Sistakaranam Ikyavedika, met Andhra Pradesh Excise Minister Kollu Ravindra who came to Tirupati, and honored him with Venkateswara Swamy scarf.



6) Dr. Srinivas Patnaik attended a special event involving former Deputy Chief Minister Dharmana Krishna Das, Mr. Dharmana Prasada Rao, and their family members.



7) It was requested that, BJP being a part of the NDA alliance, opportunity to Bharatiya Janata Party leaders be given in the elections to irrigation societies in Bhemili constituency. BJP Visakhapatnam District Kisan Morcha President P.V.V. Prasadrao Patnaik participated.



8) Sri Baliwada Shivakumar Patnaik from Vijayawada participated in the Pradhan Mantri Dhan Yojana scheme campaign.



9) After 18/12 cabinet meeting, Gajuwaka Sistakaranam Saadhikara Samiti convener Prataprao Srinivasa Rao, had a courtesy meeting with Sri Kollu Ravindra, Hon'ble Minister of Excise and Mines, at his peshi in the Amaravati Secretariat.



10) Smt. Dabbiru Prasanthi, President of Andhra Pradesh State Sistakaranam Association and General Secretary, Women's Wing, Visakhapatnam District, felicitated Rajya Sabha member and North Andhra Coordinator Vijaya Sai Reddy, who was present at the inauguration ceremony of YSRC party office in Visakhapatnam district.



11) Srinivas Veenam, Member, Telugu Desam Party Sistakaranam Sadhikara Samiti, Pedana town, Krishna district, Andhra Pradesh, engaged in door-to-door Telugu Desam Party membership registration, as per the instructions of anna.

12) On 25th December 2024, Dr. Kambhampati Haribabu being congratulated by Pavani garu, BJP, Governor of Mizoram, on the occasion of his appointment as the Governor of Odisha.



13) On 25-12-2024, at the centenary celebrations of Atal Bihari Vajpayee, our Sistakaranam BJP leader, Visakhapatnam district BJP Secretary met prominent BJP leader Sri Kambhampati Haribabu congratulated him on his appointment as the Governor of Odisha.



14) The people of Yarrabadu Gram Panchayat congratulated Sri Naupada Satyanarayana on occasion of his receiving Seva Award in Delhi.



15) Sri Baliwada Shivakumar Patnaik with Rajya Sabha MP Sri Krishnaiah.



Community News

Tributes to Sri Kondavalasa Chalapathi Rao on his Birth Centenary

1) The centenary celebrations of Late Sri Kondavalasa Chalapathi Rao Garu, who tirelessly worked for the upliftment of the Sistakaranam community, were grandly organized on November 29, 2024, at the Sistakarana Community Hall in Srikakulam under the auspices of the Srikakulam District Shistakarana Association. Chalapathi Rao Garu rendered exceptional services as the honorary president of Prema Samajam and Rickshaw Workers' Welfare. Inspired by his vision, efforts are ongoing to achieve Backward Class (BC) recognition at the central level, said Sri Polumahanti Umamaheswara Rao, State President of the Shistakarana Association.



Collaborating with Tattikota Jogarao Garu, Chalapathi Rao Garu worked significantly for organizational unity. In 1984, he authored "Sistakaranamula Sampoorna Charitra", providing the community with a comprehensive historical account. He also joined hands with Naupada Gopala Krishna Garu to further the cause of BC recognition for Shistakaranas.

Sri Dabbiru Srinivasa Rao Garu, President of the Srikakulam District Shistakarana Association, honored Chalapathi Rao Garu's family members with shawls. A large number of Shistakaranas from across the district attended the event to pay their respects.

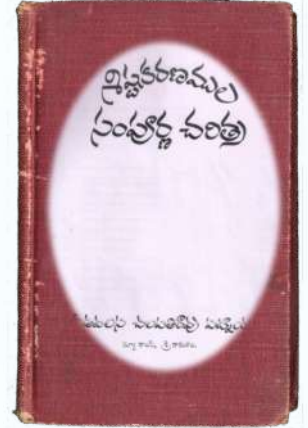
Key participants included District Secretary Sadasivuni Krishna Garu, RVN Sharma Garu, Jagannadha Rao Garu, Behara Ramachandra Rao Garu, Satish Garu, Sudhakar Garu, Kondavalasa Ravi Garu, Kondavalasa Vaikuntha Rao Garu, Akhila Bharata Association Secretary Dr. Baggaam Srinivas Patnaik Garu, and Pedapenki Sriram Kumar Garu.

2) The birth centenary celebrations of the late Kondavalasa Chalapathi Rao were held at Gara on Friday (29/11) evening. Mandal Sistakaranam Committee President Ramakrishna, Secretary Sairam, Honorary President Radhakrishna Master, Advisors Baliwada Sivaprasad and others presented tributes to the portrait of Chalapathi Rao. and his



grandson Karakavalasa Subhash, a resident of Salihundam, was felicitated with a shawl by Johar Chalapathi Rao.

3) Late Chalapathi Rao Garu also served selflessly in the Telugu Desam Party (TDP), holding the positions of Srikakulam Town Secretary and District Secretary, contributing immensely to the party's growth. Notably, he authored the book "Sistakaranamula Sampoorna Charitra", consolidating valuable information after a decade of research and publishing it in collaboration with Dr. Balarama Mahanti Janardhan Rao Garu.



Chalapathi Rao used to attend the meetings of the Sistakarana sanghas wherever they were and gave valuable suggestions.

However, due to his selfless service, he didnot take any political or government nominated posts even though Telugu Desam Party came to power. Despite his political affiliations, Chalapathi Rao Garu remained humble, gentlu rejecting opportunities for higher positions. In 1959, he served as sarpanch of Kondavalasa village. He worked in the Congress Party, Lok Dal and Swatantrata parties in politics and worked with prominent personalities such as Acharya N.G. Ranga and Sardar Gouthulachanna. He worked in various drama societies and in the press. He has served in various capacities in Sistakaranam associations. Such a great man was our Chalapathi Rao. Tributes (November 29) on the occasion of his centenary today.

To honor his legacy, we suggest to institute an award in his name for Sistakaranam historians. The All-India Sistakaranam Association and the Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association are urged to consider this initiative.

- Polumahanti Umamaheswara Rao

4) *karāṇa jāti ki karadīpika.*

*jāti aikyata kosam aharnishalu
śramimchina kula deepika.*

*sampūrṇa śiṣṭakarāṇa charitra
granthānni rachinchina dārśanikuḍu.*

*samghamante padavi kādane
parama satyānni chāṭina*

*bandhu hitaiṣi.... bāva gārainā
swargīyā koṇḍavalasa chalapatirāo
paṭṇāik gāriṇi smaristū.....*



- Kuppili Venkata Raja Rao.

Community News

Connecting the Dots: Sistakaranams

The following literature on Sistakaranam community has been found by me from different sources / individuals :-

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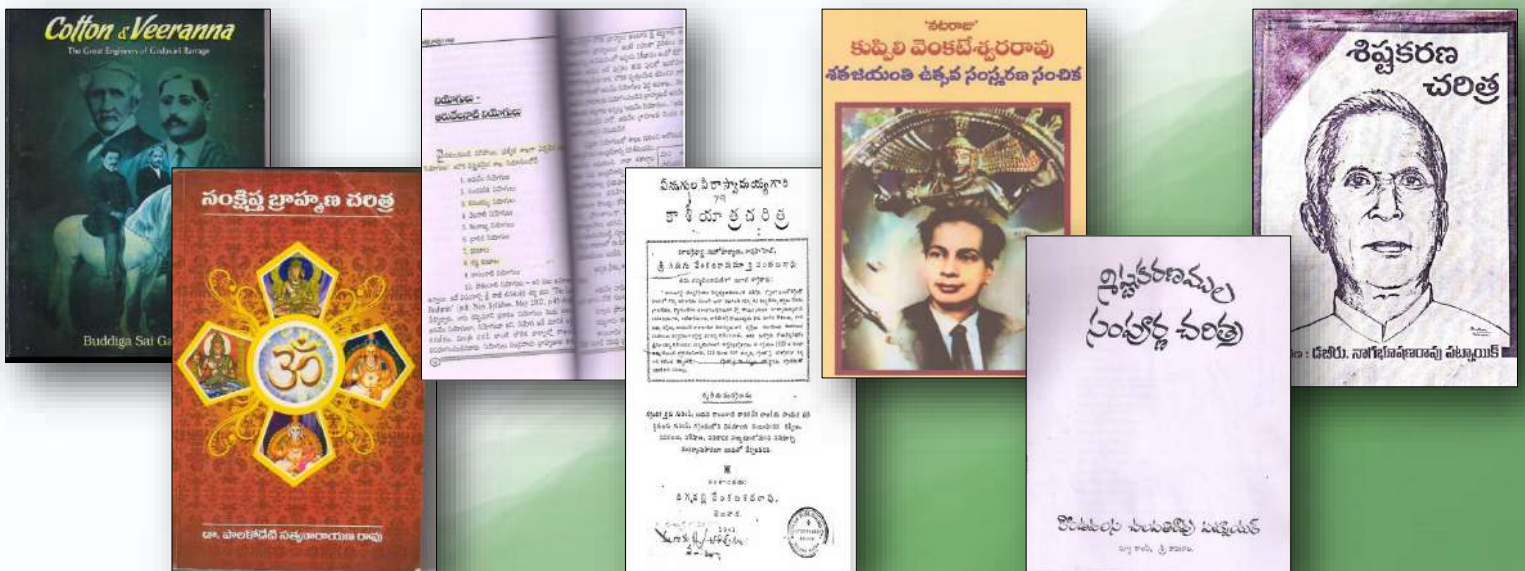
I have also come across an article titled SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS-IMAGES THROUGH SISHTU KARANA SURNAMES IN KALINGANDHRA ANDHRA PRADESH, published in December 2010 in the Souvenir of our Sistakarana Association, Garividi. The same is translated in Telugu and published in three of our souvenirs in 2020, 2023 and 2024 mentioned above. The author is (Dr) Sri Jayanthi Balagangadharam, said to be a Telugu Lecturer of Garividi, AP who carried out a PhD Thesis on our community approved by Andhra University, Vizag.

Further, I am also studying the websites, Wikipedia, Facebook Pages, WhatsApp Groups, YouTube pages, Newsletters like Sista Prati-bha, LEKHA, Sista Darsini / Sista Velugu, Bandhu Seva, Trusts, Clubs, Foundations, Sista Helping Hands, Sista Lifting Hands, Educational Institutions, Hospitals, Charitable Institutions, Trusts, Foundations, Dance / Music Teachers, Academicians, Bankers, Scientists, Advocates, Doctors, Poets / Authors / Writers, Engineers, Social Workers, Defence Personnel, Sports persons, Politicians, Businessmen and other Professionals among our Sistakaranams. Also I am collecting on various local Sistakaranam Associations in Talukas / Mandals / District / State levels - registered or unregistered and their activities.

All the above need to be captured in our Comprehensive Sistakarana Community Souvenir for AISKA Centenary Celebrations in 2025. It is a humble attempt to delve deep into our own community origin, roots, distribution to various geographical locations in search of livelihood or greener pastures. We shall strive to CONNECT THE DOTS, if only all our elders, leaders, illustrious personalities in various fields from India and abroad join hands in this endeavour. I seek full cooperation and guidance from one and all.

With sincere regards,

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Newsmakers

Dabbiru Prabhakar rewarded for services rendered to Telugu literature

Sri Dabbiru Prabhakar of Raipur was rewarded for the services rendered to Telugu Sahityam by Dr. Sri Raman Singh, Ex. Chief



Minister, Chhattisgarh State and Current Speaker, Chhattisgarh State Assembly, in an event organized by "Bharatiy Bhasha Utshav" at Pandit Ravi Shankar University Auditorium, Raipur., on 11.10.2024.

On 7/12/24 Sri D.Prabhakar also received Lekha Sahitya Ratna award from Lekha Annual awards program as a Sistakaranam.

Congratulations.

Showing writing skills at early age

Chi. Ippili Aayush Patnaik (proud son of Sri Ippili Ramesh Patnaik, IT Professional from Gurgaon, New Delhi) released his second book titled "Science and Technology" written by him recently.

He is studying in 7th class at Narayana e-Techno school Gurgaon. His first book was Aelxander: God of Avengers written earlier.

Hearty Congratulations for showing writing skills at early age and our blessings to him.



More than 1000 postings on SKIV website

(SKIV.online) website has surpassed 1,000 posts, marking a remarkable achievement. SKIV stands out as a unique platform unparalleled in any community. Congratulations to the dynamic young, Sri Naupada Bharat Vikas, for being the driving force behind this initiative.



Sri Pakki Rabindranath in Disney Hotstar

Let us congratulate our Sistakaranam leader, teacher, poet and cine actor from Parvtipuram town Sri Pakki Ravindranath on the occasion of release of Harikatha – Sambhavami Yuge Yuge webseries.

He has acted with Sri Rajendra Prasad, cine hero and lead role actor, in Disney hotstar.

He thanked the People's Media Factory webseries director Sri Maggy and casting director Sri Raviraja.



Guest Lecture in GITAM School of business

Ms. Sagarika Ayyanamahanthi, Ex-President and Chief of staff - Meesho, delivered a guest lecture in a special event on 10th December at GITAM school of Business, Visakhapatnam. She gave an analytical lecture on "Understanding strategy implementation in the real world, and frameworks and technologies to overcome implementation challenges". She shared her experience in delivering tangible business outcomes.

QUEST LECTURE ON
BRIDGING STRATEGY AND EXECUTION: LESSONS FROM INDUSTRY

Ms. Sagarika Ayyanamahanthi
Vice President and Chief of Staff - Meesho

Insights/Outcomes:
Understand strategy execution, real-world frameworks and techniques for overcoming execution challenges and delivering tangible business outcomes

10th Dec / 2024

3:00 PM
KANSEI ELB, UG Block, GSD,
GITAM (Deemed to be University),
Visakhapatnam

GITAM SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

"Sankranti ki Vastunnam"

Amarnath, was a prominent actor in Telugu cinema during the 1950s. Late Manapuram Satyanrayana's granddaughter is none other talented upcoming actress Aishwarya Rajesh, who is from the Telugu Sistakaranam community, the daughter of the former hero Rajesh and the niece of the popular comedy actress Srilakshmi.

From making her mark in Tamil cinema to now stepping into Telugu cinema, she has proven her mettle. She is all set to debut in Telugu with the film "Sankranti ki Vastunnam" to be released during the festival season.

Let's support our Telugu girl and make her movie a grand success!

Best of luck to Aishwarya Rajesh, the pride of our community!



Aswini Kumar appointed lawyer of Janasena Party

Let us congratulate our Sistakaranam famous lawyer in High Courts of both Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states Sri Narsipuram Aswini Kumar (son of Sri Narsipuram Madhava Rao garu, senior civil lawyer and life member of Seethammadhara Sistakaranam Sangham from Visakhapatnam) on his being appointed as general counsel lawyer of Janasena Party.

Newsmakers

Appreciation for best participation

In a training program for teachers organized under the education department at a private school in Srikakulam, two headmasters actively participated and received awards for **Best Participation**. **Smt. Vadrangi Neeraja (Vadrangi)** and **Sri Bhogila Umamaheswararao (Aadavaram)** were honored for their outstanding contributions. They were felicitated on this occasion, and many congratulated them for their achievements.



Vastu Acharya Award to Sri Uriti Arun Kumar

Congratulations to Sri Uriti Arun Kumar, a renowned member of our Sistakaranam community from Parvathipuram, for receiving the **Vastu Acharya Award**. The award was presented during the third convocation of the **Indian Council of Astrological Sciences** held on **Sunday, 5th December 2024**, in Visakhapatnam. The honor was bestowed by the organization's Chairman and the Registrar of Mallareddy University, who graced the event as chief guest.



Sri Sudarsan Patnaik, elected Associate President, APUS

On 1-12-2024, at the APUS District Executive Meeting held at Seethamadamara Kesava Nilayam, Our Sistakaranam eminent personality, Sri Gandreti Tirumala Venkata Sudarshan Patnaik of Visakhapatnam was elected as the Associate President of Andhra Pradesh Upadhyaya Sangham (APUS), Visakhapatnam District. APUS state president Saravannagari Balaji, who was the chief guest at the meeting, announced the appointment. Sudarsan Pattnaik has so far held the post of PRTU 102 Visakhapatnam district president and primary HM association state associate president.



Award to Sri Vasu

On December 24, 2024, during a program organized on occasion of National Consumer Day 2024, our Sistakaranam entrepreneur Sri Dabbiru Srinivasa Rao (Vasu) was honored with an award, presented by the chief guests.

Manapuram as judge in national level drama competitions

Sri Manapuram Satyanarayana of Palakollu Kala Parishad served as a judge in the national-level drama competitions conducted under the auspices of Prabhaskar Andhra Prajanatya Mandali, held in Bilhalai, Chhattisgarh, with the theme 'Everyone is One.'



Seva Award by Samaikya Telugu Employees Association

Our Sistakaranam stalwart from Delhi, Sri Nowpada Satyanarayana, Office Secretary, Telugu Desam Parliamentary Party, was felicitated with Seva Award by Samaikya Telugu Employees Association, New Delhi in a function organized at Ambedkar Auditorium, AP Bhavan, Delhi on 22-12-2024.



Belagam Chandrasekhar receives Best Actor award

Bajrang Creations 7th Anniversary function was held in Jeypore (Orissa) on Sunday evening. On this occasion, the Best Actor Award was presented to Parvathipuram resident



Chandrasekhar Belagam, who acted in Picnic and Swarg Dwar. Later, Director Gopal said that Sri Belagam Shekhar working in Parvathipuram LIC office and on the other hand, he acted very well in this movie without taking much time due to his interest in acting. He informed that our next film is being made in Telugu and we are giving you a character in it and wished him many more such awards. Music director Dhiren Mohan Patnaik, Simhachalam Patnaik, Muralidhar Patnaik participated took part in the program.

Editorial

The beginning of a new era and reflection of Unity in Diversity

To all the relatives of the Sistakaranams the wholehearted greetings and English New Year greetings from the team.

The Lekha Annual Awards ceremony held on December 7th last year was held in grandeur. Like a wedding... The reason for such success is undoubtedly the team effort... After enduring many expenses for the last three months... In the last month, Google meetings were held every night to coordinate everyone, plan what happened and what should happen... This success was achieved due to being there. Hats off to the Lekha team.

I have never heard of any caste recognizing their own caste in various fields and inviting them to awards and honoring them. But this happened in our caste. This function seemed to indicate that our caste is also competing hard in society and reaching the award level.

Another concept came up in this.. that is train Coach . Our representatives welcome those who come from our most caste residential areas at various stations, receive them again at the station and carefully transport them to their respective accommodation and carefully return them. The Bhogie concept...I have not heard of a caste award function till now. They are happy like children without their statuses and egos, traveling with games and entertainment in the middle of the way. It is an indescribable sweet feeling in their life. We say that there is no unity among us. But it was seen directly here.

And the impression of our youth in the arrangements and in the function too is delightful. The educated youth can be seen participating very enthusiastically.. Youth is called the future...This was seen here. They said that there would be such events in the caste, many people honored our caste people and they felt respect and pride towards the caste.

The sponsors and donors are the reason for the overall success. If not for them, we have come forward selflessly and became the reason for the success... That is also a step towards the success of our caste progress. Our efforts are for the development of the caste and increase the respect of the caste... This function is a demonstration of the success of many of us as donors.

Well, for every success, there are two sides of the coin, so we faced criticism and embarrassing situations too. Be that as it may, they will be useful to take as an experience and move forward successfully in future programs. A few of them.. Some ask who are you to give us awards, some say that we do not work for awards, and some say that we are beyond awards. Some said, "Can't this money be given to the poor?" "What is this coach thing?" Some cancelled their names at the last minute, denying other enthusiasts from coming. One says no to award just because of not narrating her/his service on dias. As I said earlier, these are experiences...life lessons that teach us how to deal with obstacles.

Another aspect of this award function.... It not only brought together the All India Sistakaranams from Delhi to Chennai but also proved unity in diversity.

Bringing together the leaders of various Sistakaranam associations from each state, from Kharagpur, Bhubaneswar, Parvathipuram, Srikakulam to Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada, Hyderabad... they came to the function and blessed the team with their messages. .The Lekha team also pays tribute to them. Isn't this what unity in diversity means...

These awards are held every year...bringing up and recognizing our caste talents...achieving unity by meeting everyone...and participating in the caste upliftment...hoping that the letter annual awards will go ahead...

This month's January Sistakaranam Lekha has been prepared with 36 pages with great love by the team and has come before you, beautifully prepared in every way. You can read it in full and express your own opinions.

'Sarva Sitakarana Jana Sukhinobhavthu'
-Jannumahanti Venkata Chandrababu

Interview

Benevolent Leader

A Sistakaranam who has chosen the path of his choice and pursued his passion for political leadership along with him is really an interesting person to know about him. A person who goes along with all in-group activities is now the choice of all. An RSS-built ABVP leader, who is now a known popular BJP leader in Vijayawada, receives all Sistakaranams visiting the town and does his best till they see off. Before Lekha reveals his name, you rightly recollected BSK, Balivada Siva Kumar Patnaik. Let us explore him further.

Please share about your career and passion

After my ITI, I opted for the construction field and became a builder and real estate professional. Because of my interest in RSS, my first step was to become a student union leader under ABVP at the age of 20 years. I completed training in RSS in various ranks from 'Pratham Varsh', 'Svayam Sevak' to 'Mukhya Sikshak'. In Bharatiya Janata Yuva Morcha, I rose from Mandal Secretary to General Secretary for Vijayawada City. Then I was elevated to core BJP as City Secretary. Later, I held the positions of Zone Chairman, City Vice-President, City General Secretary and then Vijayawada City President in 2020. I am also State Treasurer for BJP-OBC Morcha of Andhra Pradesh. I am in the BJP since 28 year. Many times I was elected unanimously.

What are the other portfolios you have?

I was elected Secretary of Vijayawada Lions Club Smiles - Men's division in 2007 and then as the President in 2008. I was also elected as the Chairperson of Street Boys and Children's Club in 2009. I was also elected as Co-P.R.O. of Lions Club International in 2013. I was also OBC in charge of Vijayawada City Division in 2016. I worked as Joint Secretary of BC-International Welfare Association. I was elected Secretary of the Greater Vijayawada Builders Association in 2015 and now hold the position of General Secretary to the 'Builders Association of India', Amaravathi Center in Vijayawada.

Please share your social activities.

I am distributing notebooks to students through the Trust, the late 'Balivada Rama Rao Patnaik Charitable Trust'. Many social service activities were conducted for street-children, health camps, eye donation awareness, and blood donation camps through the Lions Club as well as the Builders Association.

What are the countries you visited?

I visited Bangkok, Nepal, Bhutan, Srilanka, and Thailand.

What are other awards you received?

I received a prestigious award, the 'Abdul Kalam Excellency Award', from AP Governor, His Excellency Sri Sasibhushan garu for my services to society. To quote a few, I also received the 'Best President Award' from the Lions Club in 2019, the 'Jeevitha Puraskara Award' on the occasion of Sri Potti Sriramulu Gari Jayanthi, the 'Bharath Vajrothsva Award' at Thummalapalli Kalakshetram, Ex-Army Asso-

ciation of AP conferred 'Best Service Award' in 2023.

Tell us your services towards our community.

I participated actively in Sistakarana Garjana held on 06.01.2008 at Srikakulam for BC-D achievement. I am the elected General Secretary of the Krishna District Association of Sistakaranams since 2005. I was also elected as Vice President of the Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranams Association (63/1979) in 2018. During the recent floods in Vijayawada in 2024, I distributed food packets, milk packets and essential goods kits to all Sistakaranam families affected by floods through Balivada Ramarao Trust and through donations collected from sistakaranam sanghams, philanthropists, yuvatha etc. I conduct-



Father:	late Balivada Rama Rao Patnaik
Mother:	late Suseelamma (Pantululamma)
Wife:	Smt. Rajiv Lata
Sons:	Chi. BVS Ram Akash Chi. BVS Lakshmana Avinash
Native place:	Devunikanapaka, Vizianagaram Dist.

ed a mega Sistakaranams picnic in Vijayawada on 24.11.2024. I felicitate all our leaders and cine actors of our community coming to Vijayawada.

Were you into reel life?

Yes. I acted in short films and received 'Akkineni Nageswara Rao Excellency Award' as a Best Actor in the year 2019.

Any unforgettable event to share with us?

I was one of the team members under the leadership of late Sri A.V. Jagannadha Rao Patnaik visited Delhi, met our honourable PM, Sri Narendra Modiji and submitted a representation to Prime Minister for inclusion of our Community in OBC list. Late Gumma Umasankar Rao Patnaik also accompanied us. I am missing both great personalities. In fact, Sri AVJ announced Sri BSK as the future leader of the Sistakaranam Association.

He gives credit for his success to his father, the late Rama Rao Patnaik, and his wife, Smt. Rajiv Lata. He also gives credit to BJP leaders and Sistakaranam leaders for his elevation to the cadre. He strongly urges our community's youth to associate with associations and contribute their best to the needy either by service or financial help. As a regular reader of Lekha, he accolades the entire team and desires to see Lekha as a weekly newsletter. Lekha wishes our builder, BSK garu to build a strong Sistakaranam community.

--Interviewed by Sadasivuni Lakshmana Rao
Collected by JV Chandrababu
--Compiled by Mantri Narasimha Rao

Open Forum

Sistakaranam Velugu Lekha

Sēvala sēvalu venṭa
 śiṣṭakaraṇam velugu lēkha
 bhāratāvanilō pramukhula
 chirunāmālu
 paluraṅgāla sēvala
 viśiṣṭulu
 vēdika pañchina kāryakramālu
 vijayōtsava viluvala
 śiṣṭakaraṇa kula mitrula
 ekkadekkaḍō janiñchina
 mana vāri caritra
 teliyajēsi
 iṅḍiā antaṭā
 modaṭi ādivāram
 pracuriñchē
 ḍiḡiṭal rūpa
 raṅgula chitra
 māsa patrika
 enalēni sēvalaku
 chirunāmā
 nālugu vasantālu pūrti chēsukunna lēkhaku apūrva spandana
 manakentō santōṣam
 mana vārtalu ē patrika prachuriñchadu sthalaparidi
 phoṭō krāl paridi
 kāraṇam ayina kālanlō
 mana lēkha dwārā enthō unnatha sthiti
 sēvala paripakvata gala vārini manam śiṣṭakaraṇa samājāniki
 parichayaṁ chēsina
 lēkhaku dhan'yavādālu
 alāḡē akuṅṭhita
 kāryadīkṣa parulaina
 śiṣṭakaraṇam
 lēkha ḡrundaṁ naku
 nā ḡridaya pūrvaka śubhākāñkṣhalu

- Balivada Satya Rao, Telugu Desam Visakhapatnam District Sis-
 takarana Sadhikara Committee Convener

Lekha

śiṣṭa karaṇa lekha... eduru chūstonnadi bandhuvula rāka...
 likhinchuchunnadi suvarṇa rekha...
 jai ho ani veddām pedda keka...

śiṣṭa karaṇa hitulanu
 koniyāḍaga...
 aṣṭa dikkula sakhulu
 naḍayāḍaga...
 bhāgyanagara veedhulu
 velugāḍaga...
 śiṣṭa karaṇa lekha dīpti velugondaga....

mānava sevalo tarinchina vārini vedikindi tarachi tarachi...
 bhārata abhivṛudde jīvitamani smarinchina vārini pilichi pilichi...
 vīrandari sevalu lokāniki teliyālani talachi talachi...
 rammandi sanmānālaku valachi valachi...

śiṣṭakaraṇa vārtalannī
 sobagugā vestundi...
 kallaku kaṭṭinaṭlu chūpistundi...
 chaitanyapu nava vasantālu testumḍi...
 śiṣṭakaraṇa prābhāvaṁ mallī rāvālani prrepistundi...

lekha...
 lekha...
 anṭū ūpiri peelche sabhyulu
 navyatato eḍiṭ chese chandrulu
 divyatato peḍutunna vandanamulu
 bhaviṣyat tarālaku
 istunna prasādamulu

lekhaki nā manasphūrvaka abhivādamulu...

lekha ṭeam chestunna yī yajñam saphalamai, śiṣṭakaraṇa deeptulu
 naludīśalā cherālani...
 lekha patrika marinta unnata sthitiki cherālani
 korukunṭū...

Yours
 Delhi Shankar Patnaik Pakki

Lekha - Jaati Velugu Rekha

Velugu prasāramlō kānti manamīda prasa-
 riñchinapuḍu
 sūryakiraṇālu kaṅṭi reppalni dāṭi kaantinistāyi

mana śiṣṭakaraṇa lēkha jāti pragatiki jīvana
 rēkha
 nidrāṇamai unna mana jātini jāḡṛuti chēsē
 bhaviṣyat gīta
 ee velugu mana antaraṅgālō buddini prasa-
 ristundi
 manalō unḍē nairāśyaṁ nirmūlanamai cai-
 tan'yaṁ nelakolputundi

manalō pratibhāvantulendarō
 manalō dēśa nirmāṇa sārādulendarō

manalō nāyakatvamunna vārendarō
 manalō kavulendarō kaḷākārulendarō

dēśamantaṭā prāki'unna mana śiṣṭakaraṇa
 janata
 dēśalannī gurtiñchāyi manavāri asādhāraṇa
 pratibha
 anni rāṣṭrālō manavāri samāchāra velugu
 rēkha
 andari bāgu prasāram cēsē manavāri
 samācāra velugu rēkha

svārtham lēni yuvaśakti ēkamai kalam
 jhalipiñcindi
 jāti pragatini jagatikandiñchē kāryasādhakulu

vīrantā
 ekkāḍanu mañci jariginā, evariki kaṣṭam vac-
 chinā ādukuṅṭū
 andaribāḡē tama bāgani śramiñcē lēkha
 sampādakulaku vandanālu
 daśadīśalā daśābdāla tarabaḍi vardhillāli ma-
 na śiṣṭakaraṇa lēkha
 evarēmānā vaḍiduḍukulu lekka cēyamani
 jāṭiki cheppāli lēkha
 vijayōstu,, digisjayamastu
 śubhamastu

- Sekharamantri Prabhakar, Visakha

Open Forum

Śiṣṭakaranam Jāti Kaṅkaṅam ee Lēkha

śiṣṭakaranam jāti kaṅkaṅam ee lēkha
 śiṣṭa karanam kula ābharaṅam ee lēkha
 śiṣṭakaranāla kīrti kīrītāla addam ee lēkha
 kaḷākārula kaḷanu niḥṣiptam chēyu ee lēkha
 kavula kavitalanu bhadraparachi pradarsīnchē ee lēkha
 kīrti vantula kīrtini pradarsīnchē ee lēkha
 atiratha mahāradhula goppatanāni chūpē ee lēkha
 yuvakulanu chaitan'ya parichē dravyam ee lēkha
 pratibhāvantula pratibhanu cātē ee lēkha
 ajarāmaramaina kīrtini andajēsē ee lēkha
 anitara sādhyamaina naipuṅyānni nimpē ee lēkha
 śiṣṭakaranam jātiki aṅkitamaina ee lēkha
 śiṣṭakaranam abhivṛud'dhiki bāṭalu vēsē ee lēkha
 andari bandhuvugā prati gum'manlō atithi ee lēkha
 nīrantaraṅgā nīrāṅkaṅgā konasāgina prayāṅam ee lēkha
 charitrakekkina charitrakārula chitrālātō niṅḍina ee lēkha
 rājākīya nāyakula rājākīyānni chūpē ee lēkha
 saṅgha abhivṛud'dhiki tōḍpaḍina peddala kōsam ee lēkha
 pillalaku charitranu andīnchē dīksūchi ee lēkha
 aṭṭi lēkha nēdu kēka peṭṭi tana nāḍi vinipiṅci, bhāgyanagaramlō
 moṭṭamodaṭi kāryakramānni nirvahiṅchi saphalīkṛtamaina sandar-
 bhaṅgā, ee mahā yajñāniki nāndi paliki, śaṅkhārāvam pūriṅchi tana
 kēka nu nālugu dikkula prasariṅchi, bhāgyanagaram nuṅḍi dēsaman-
 taṭa, vidēsālālō saitam tana kēka nu vinipiṅchina lēkha bṛundāniki
 hṛidayapūrvaka śubhākāṅkṣalu teluputū

Yours
 - Avilala Sridhar

Inspiring Awareness

With the spirit of enthusiasm
 Embracing change
 Overcoming financial conditions
 With the intention of bringing a sense of awareness in the commu-
 nity,
 One's inspiration, another's hardwork, and everyone's contribu-
 tions
 Culminating in a good event organized for two days in Hyderabad
 by the LEKHA team is commendable.

With many supporters and significant expenses, many plans and
 unanimous efforts
 the Lekha team
 Selecting individuals from various fields
 And reverencing the attendees
 It's a real honor to honour them there.

Acknowledging them for their expertise,
 Welcome all who came and continuously ensuring their well-being.

This event was a success due to the team's efforts,
 With many elders attending, adding to its importance.
 I extend my special thanks to the Lekha team
 And everyone who supported this success.

- Behara Nagabushana Rao,
 Gajapathinagaram

Andala... Anubandhala... Lekha

Lēkhalu
 prēmālēkhalu
 marichām...
 Ālōchana evaridainā
 ādariṅchāru
 ḍiḡital lēkha nu...
 maruvalēkuṅḍa
 mana vāriṅni maruguna
 paḍanīyakuṅḍa...
 Andalam ekkīnchē
 andāla patrika
 prati nela modaṭi adivāram
 śiṣṭa karanam sēvala chirunāmā...
 andīnchē chiru lēkha...
 arudaina kharīdaina lēkha...
 Kṣhaṅam lō mana vārtalu
 medaḍuku mēta vēsi
 maḷḷi śharā māmūlē
 iṅḍiā antaṭā
 ē mūla ēm jarigindi
 teliyajēsē viṣayam
 ō yajñam
 mana vāri kōsam
 maṅchi chēyālanna
 āśayam goppadi
 lēkha bṛindam
 andīnchina kānukalu
 telugu rāṣṭrālē kādu
 yāvāt śiṣṭa karaṅa prapaṅcham
 gamyam chērē dīśagā
 andistunna alaṅkārālu
 anubhavālu
 adhunātana pad'dhatulu
 mārgadarśakapu mārgālē kadā
 kulābhīmāna gubāḷimpu
 vinasompu vīnulavindu
 2024 lēkha awārḍulu andukunna vāriki ātmīya abhinandana
 makarandālu
 2025 ki teepi gurutulu
 manamantā kalisimelisina
 kalam snēhitulam
 kulam snēhitulam

- Balivada Satya Rao

Open Forum

Sistakaranams still have a long way to go

The top leadership should take steps accordingly.

As we prepare for the 100th anniversary celebrations in 2025, it is essential for the All India Sistakaranam Association and the state associations to focus on the following key areas.

- 1) There is a need to form district-level associations in several districts of Andhra Pradesh, as many regions still lack these associations. Currently, associations exist only in the Unified Vizianagaram, Visakhapatnam, Srikakulam, West Godavari, and Krishna districts. Newly formed districts like Anakapalli, Parvathipuram Manyam, Alluri Seetharama Raju, Kakinada, and NTR districts require new associations. The Anakapalli district has recently formed its association, but more work is needed in the remaining districts.
- 2) In Telangana, only two associations exist in Hyderabad: the Telangana State Sistakaranam Association and the Sistakaranam Welfare Association. There are no regional or district-level associations in the state. We don't know why. Even in those areas, there are those who had settled down before 1955 in search of a livelihood. There are many Sistakaranams. The onus is on the top leadership to bring them all into the mainstream. It remains to be seen who will come forward and form such associations and give them the right to know our information.
- 3) Across the country, there is an urgent need to form state-level associations in regions where the Sistakaranam community resides.
- 4) Sri Akkamahanti Raja visited many parts of Andhra Pradesh and started new Sistakaranam associations in areas where none existed. This needs to be done in many areas.
- 5) Many existing associations are currently dormant. When they do picnics, we are able to know the existence of some associations. All the dormant associations should be activated and a new executive committee should be appointed to facilitate service activities, especially to their members. In fact, most of the societies are those who form new associations out of disunity or out of anger that no one has recognised them and then they keep them dormant from the second day onwards. Such ones should be revived. The greater the number of associations, the better. They just need to look at the welfare of members of their association.
- 6) Each association should be identified and asked to pay Rs. 1,000 should be paid to the state association every three months. Similarly, each local and district body should be given cash assistance every six months for service activities on behalf of the state association or on behalf of the All India Association.
- 7) Strengthen the communities at the grass root level. Only by doing so can we prove our strength. Before that, the isolated families in the last mile can be supported. We can give them the confidence that we are there. Thus, all-for-one and one-for-all are planted in the minds. Everyone should try in that direction.
- 8) District associations, state associations and all India associations should conduct programmes through local bodies. If they organize anything, they should go with at least five or six local communities. That's when success is inevitable.

Sistakaranams still have a long way to go. It would be better to set up district and state associations as soon as possible.

Sangham sharanam gachami.

- Sadashivuni Lakshman Rao

Role of Branch associations in Sistakaranam Associations - An Analysis

An association is a group that brings together Sistakaranam families. It would be good if three to five hundred families, region-wise, formed an association. The executive committee of the association would be able to help them with their difficulties and comforts. The association would be able to know the status of every family within the association. The BC EBC certificates that the association must give, would also be easily available to families the association executive committee is accessible. Gatherings like Karthika Vanabhojana can be planned and organized well. In this, they can make a buzz with games, songs, cultural programs, etc. Free medical examinations and educational incentives can be provided to the needy. Leaders of neighboring branches, districts and state associations can be invited to such programs.

When it comes to district associations, these will work only as a federation of branch associations, that is, they will have to deal with the development of branches within their jurisdiction, resolve problems of members outside the jurisdiction of the branch (for example, BC, EBC certificates are not being given in that area, officials should be met for a solution), support state associations with the cooperation of branches in matters like BC, OBC, etc., as well as work from the village level with the cooperation of branches for programs held at the all-India level.

Similarly, state associations will be federations of districts and all-India associations of states. Now, marriage introduction platforms are completely different. They have no boundaries and are widespread. Whoever organizes them will need the cooperation of all branch, district, state and all-India associations. That is, if the organizers take the cooperation of the respective associations and organize them through them, they can achieve amazing successes. However, with the advent of social media, instead of informing the associations, messages are sent directly. More can be done with the cooperation of the associations. It is better not to combine this grand program with any other program. This year, almost all branches have successfully organized Karthika Vanabhojana programs in this way and have received the blessings of relatives.

Congratulations to all

- Godaba Gauri Prabhakar Das President
Visakhapatnam District Sistakaranam Association

Support Arena

Even in the rain, relief measures...

According to the instructions of Chandragiri Constituency MLA P Nani, Chittoor district BJP leader Avilala Sreedhar and Avilala Gram Panchayat Telugu Desam Party President Sambashivarao inspected the flooded homes and roads affected by the heavy rainfall in Avilala village. They visited the areas of Vinayak Nagar, Harijanwada, and near the temple where there was significant waterlogging, causing water to flow into houses and onto the roads. They assured the villagers of support, offering their mobile numbers for contact and encouraging them to reach out whenever needed during difficult times.



Distribution of Bhagavad Gita books

On 12-12-2024, on the occasion of Gita Jayanti, ISKCON representatives distributed Bhagavad Gita books to school students. The books were handed over in the presence of Teacher Smt. Dr. Muraharirao Umagandhi. Congratulations to them.



Donations by Dr. Arikatota Kanakaraju - December 24

- 1) A small businessman, Sri Vaikuntha Rao, residing in Srikakulam, recently met with an accident that resulted in the complete loss of mobility in both his legs. Unable to continue his business activities, he sought help from various people for a battery-powered tri-cycle. On learning about his plight, Sri Arika Thota Kanakaraju generously donated ₹5,000 as his contribution towards helping the businessman.
- 2) Sri Kanakaraju and his wife donated ₹5,000 to the Srikakulam District Stage Artists Federation. They requested that this amount be utilized for programs conducted in association with the District Stage Artists at the local Bapuji Kala Mandir.
- 3) During the harsh winter season, blankets and rugs were distributed to 20 destitute individuals suffering from the cold.
- 4) A donation of ₹5,000 was made to the Rajarajeshwari Temple in Gujarathipeta, Srikakulam, to be used for temple painting and beautification.



On December 7, 2024, Sri Kanakaraju was honored with the prestigious "Lekha Seva Ratna" award in recognition of his outstanding service.

1.5 lakh medical assistance under the initiative of Akkumahanti Raja

Although a political representative for a single community, it is no easy task to intervene on behalf of a patient in his village and secure support for their health and family. However, in this case, the swift actions of a determined leader proved otherwise.

Shyam Santos, an 11-year-old boy from Machilipatnam's 50th ward, was admitted to Vijayawada's Capital Hospital after falling ill. Following tests, doctors confirmed kidney failure. Upon learning of the situation and the family's financial struggles, Sri Akkumahanti Raja, Convenor of the Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Samakhya, quickly acted. He secured an L.O.C. from the hospital and informed the local minister, Sri Kollu Ravindra, about the condition. Both leaders promptly reached out to the state government. Within hours, a relief amount of ₹1,50,000 and a monthly pension of ₹10,000 were approved for the family.



Distribution of clothes to the disabled at Behara Manovikas

At the Behara Mano Vikas Kendra, Srikakulam, under the aegis of the New Friends of Earth Voluntary Organization, senior physiotherapist Dr. Srinivas Patnaik's 25th wedding anniversary was celebrated. During the event, BNR Shankar Master emphasized the need for both the government and donors to extend complete support to the development of differently-abled individuals, aiming to bring a new enthusiasm to their lives. Dr. Rama Srinivas Patnaik urged everyone to assist differently-abled individuals with love and compassion, taking responsibility for their education and health. The event was attended by Dr. K Vineel Bhai Patnaik, Polumahanti Umamaheshwar Rao, Karunakara Bhaskar, and Smt. Shyamala Kumari, P Ruseswar Rao, Smt. A Indumathi Behara, Mano Vikas Kendra's staff and management. On the occasion, clothing were donated to the differently-abled. Cakes and biscuits were also distributed.



Support Arena

First Service Program of Sphoorti Seva Samithi

Sphoorti Seva Samithi (Reg. No. 97/2024), located in Chandanagar, Hyderabad, organized its first service program by providing free mortuary box. Those in need can contact the organization to avail this service. The President of the organization, Sri D.V. Krishnarao, who initiated this essential service, is to be congratulated for this noble cause.



Sista Helping Hands Service Program 28

Sri Baliwada Jagadeesh used to work in a welding shop in Kotturu and his wife ran a small tea shop and they lived in a rented house.

The total amount we have received with the help of 75 sevamurtis is 53,834/-. This was spent towards the price of the goods purchased for the shop amounting to 2800/- to the local wholesale shop owner in cash (bill has been included in the group), the gas stove and cylinder with supporting goods for the shop worth Rs.3,800/- in cash to the owner of the local gas stoves shop (the bill has been included in the group), the cost of building the shop of 18,000/- to the shop owner in the form of a cheque number 022992/22.12.2024, the remaining amount of 29,234/- cheque number 022991/22.12.2024 to Smt. Baliwada Rani, beneficiary of the 28th



Seva Programme. On this day, i.e. on Sunday, 22.12.2024 near the local government hospital in Kotturu village of Srikakulam district, in the presence of our relatives Sri Behera Mukhalingeswara Rao (from Srikakulam), Sista Helping Hands Team Sri Pakki Maheswara Rao (from Srikakulam), Sri Behera Mohan Raju (from Srikakulam) Sri Pedapenki Hari Krishna (from Balijapeta, Bobbili), the tea and paan shop was opened while reading out the details of 75 donors.

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Akkumahanthi Raja assurance for Sistakarana family members

Simhachalam resident and Vijayawada Association leader Sekharamantri Hemsundar's brother-in-law, Sri Rajeshwar Rao, recently suffered a severe accident that left him with a spinal injury and is confined to bed.



Upon learning about his condition, Telugu Desam Party (TDP) leader and Sistakarana Sadhikara Samiti State Convener Sri Akkamahanti Raja visited him to offer his support and assurances. During the visit, Sri Raja assured the family that efforts would be made to secure a full disability pension of ₹15,000 per month from the government. Additionally, he promised to work towards obtaining financial aid from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund for Sri Rajeshwar Rao's medical expenses.

Narsipatnam Municipal Councilor Dabbeeru Srikanth, BJP Women's Leader Smt. Radha, Visakhapatnam West Constituency Convener Smt. Chakradharamahanti Kavitha, Sistakaranam Association Leader Sri Manapuram Bhaskara Rao, Vijayawada Association Leader Sri Sekharamantri Hema Sundar, Sistakarana Sadhikari Samiti State Members Sri Basangi Tirupati Rao, Gajuwaka Coordinator Sri Pratap Rao Srinivasa Rao, Sri Basuri Srinivasa Rao, Sri Mahendranath Patnaik participated.

Fraternity Page - Telangana



Thanks to SWA Members

Lekha team extends heartfelt thanks to Sri Dabbiru Krishnarao Sistakaranam, Smt Rama Krishnarao, Sri A.S.V. Rao, Sri Barli Vijayakumar, Sri Parthasarathi, Sri Shankar, Sri Parvathisam, Sri Pratap Raj and other SWA members who graced the Lekha Annual Awards 2024 function.



SWA members meet Telangana BC Commission Chairman

On 12-12-2024, members of the Hyderabad SWA, led by Sri D.V. Krishnarao, met with the Chairman of the BC Commission, Sri G. Niranjan, at the Commission's office. The delegation included Sri D.V. Ramanamurthy, B Vijay Kumar, and P Tirupathi Rao. During the meeting, BC Chairman Sri Niranjan honored Sri D.V. Krishnarao and inquired about the current socio-economic status of the Sistakaranam community. Sri DV Krishnarao explained the financial and social challenges faced by Sistakaranam people and requested their inclusion in the MBC list and the allocation of a building for the community. Chairman Niranjan responded positively, stating that efforts are underway with full support from the Telangana government to include the Sistakaranam community in the national OBC list.



Felicitations to RK Sinha

In a meeting held at the Tourist Plaza Star Hotel, with Sri RK Sinha International Kayastha Maha Sabha president, and Dr. Khadeer Wali, an expert in Chiru Dhanya, All India Sistakaranam Association President Sri Dabbiru Krishna Rao, along with Sri Dabbiru Sharath, Sri Barli Vijayakumar, Sri Tirupati Rao, and Sri Naresh Dashmintri, presented the honors in a felicitation ceremony.



Fraternity Page - Odisha



Times of India Honour by Odisha CM

Dr G.S. Patnaik, Chairman & Chief Managing Director of St Xavier Chain of Schools has been bestowed with coveted Times of India Honour by Sri Mohan Charan Majhi Chief Minister of Odisha.

Congratulations.



Dr. G.S. Patnaik Mr. Mohan Charan Majhi

Fraternity Page - Andhra Pradesh



Rayagada Sistakaranam Sangam Mahasabha

At the invitation of Sri Mahesh Patnaik, President of the Rayagada Sistakaranam Association and Honorable Chairman of the Rayagada Municipality, I had the privilege of attending the grand meeting of the Rayagada Town Sistakarana Association.

The association, representing approximately 500 families, is a source of pride for our community due to its remarkable service and development initiatives. It was an honor to join as the President of the Sistakarana Association and actively participate in their development and service activities.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Krishnarao Sistakaranam



Felicitation to Lekha team

As Lekha Annual Awards program concluded on 7/12/2024, Lekha, Ikyavedika members from various places in the country were honored in a special ceremony on December 8, 2024.

Honourable Sri Polumahanti Uma Maheshwar Rao from Srikakulam, Sri Jayababu from Parvathipuram, Sri Simhaghiri Patnaik from Visakhapatnam, and Sri Balivada Shiva Kumar invited the Lekha team, sharing the second day incidentals, and blessed the Lekha team. Following this, a special mementos and shawls which they brought with them were presented to 21 LEKHA members, and a cake was cut to celebrate Sri Vandana Adivishnu's marriage anniversary. Not only that delegates from Kharagpur and Visakhapatnam who arrived by the Lekha coaches were also felicitated with shawls.

The Lekha team extends heartfelt thanks to them.



Petition to Simhachalam EO

Our community member, Potnuru Harababu, submitted a petition to the Simhachalam EO for the protection of Hindu Dharma.



World Human Rights Day Celebrations

On December 10, 2024, Human Rights Council Secretary Mantri Shyam Prasad hosted World Human Rights Day celebrations in Visakhapatnam. The event, held at the Alluri Sitarama Raju Knowledge Center, featured prominent participants who spoke on human rights. He said that they are constantly working towards protecting human rights.

He stated that if anyone's rights are violated, they will stand by them until justice is served. He highlighted the success of the Human Rights Protection Act, enacted in 1993.

During the event, students from various colleges were presented with awards and certificates for speaking on human rights laws. The Human Rights Council calendar was also released to over 300 students.



Late Kamalabai's Pedakarma

A large number of relatives and friends attended the function of Baliwada Satyarao's mother, who was gentle and kind to everyone.

Late Kamalabai's Pedakarma was organized on 3/12/24 at her eldest son, Sri Balivada Satya Rao's house in Amaravati Nagar, Gajuwaka. Among those who consoled the family and paid tribute to the portrait of his mother were Gajuwaka Constituency MLA, State Telugu Desam Party President Hon. Sri Palla Srinivas Rao, YSRCP leader Mantri Rajasekhar, Corporator Gandham Srinivas Rao, Sri Basangi Tirupati Rao & other Gajuwaka Sistakarana Sangam members, Smt. Kurada Pavani, Sun Murthy, Mantri Shyam, BJP leader Vellanki Prasad Rao, Radha, Balivada Bindurani, PVT Ramana Rao, Sri Sekharmantri Srinivas from Tuni, Sri Mantri Jagadish, Sri Chandramahanti Girish, Sri Dabbiru Venkata Rao, Sri Godaba Prabhakar

Das, Sri Baliwada Haribabu Garu, Sri Baliwada Jagadish from the steel plant, RVN Sharma from Srikakulam, Telugu Desam Party Sistakaranam leader Sri Akkamahanti Raja, Saluri Mohan Rao, Nandigam Koteswara Rao, Gamana, Bala Patnaik, Tilak Patnaik, NSV Prasad Aaro, Jhansi, Smt. Varalakshmi, Manapuram Suresh, Kalam Snehitulu Kala Vedika Admins Sri Sekharmantri Prabhakar, Dabbiru Govinda Rao, and Karakavalasa Gowri Prasad.



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Vizianagaram association praises kids' accomplishments in Bhagavad Gita recitation

On the occasion of Deputy Executive Engineer at AP Transco Electrical Department in Visakhapatnam, Ari-kathota Suresh's daughter Arikato Suhani's winning first place in Bhagavad Gita recitation at district level and selection for state level, and his son Suhas securing second place at district level in Bhagavad Gita recitation, we extend our congratulations to their parents, Arikathota Suresh and his wife, hoping their children will continue to shine and serve as inspirations for the Sistakaranam communi-ty.



- Kanti Mahanti Murahari Sanjeeva Rao, President; Raja Mahanti Ravikummar, General Secretary; Baliwada Venkataramana, Treasurer; Vizianagaram Town Sistakaranam Association.

Anakapalle Association Picnic

The Anakapalli Sistakaranam Association held a picnic at Bojjannakonda Park under the auspices of President Benarji. The newly formed Anakapalli District executive team, with honorary president Sri Dabiru Satya Prasad, President Sri Sekharamantri Venkata Narayana Patnaik, Vice President Sri. Dab-iriu Srikanth Patnaik, Secretary Sri Somasekhar, Legal Advisor advocate Sekharamantri Srinivas Patnaik, state Sistakaranam Association Treasurer Sri Badrimahanti Venkata Rao as Chief Guest, a representative from Nag-pur, and elders from the Anakapalli Associa-tion attended the event and spoke. The large attendance of women is a specialty of the Anakapalli association. It is inspiring that elders like Uma Maheswara Rao (Uma) are leading the association from the front in a very transparent manner.



Distribution of 50 copies of Constitution on occasion of Law day

On the occasion of National Law Day, NVSV Law Colleges of Madhurawada, under the aegis of the AP Aditors Association, distrib-uted 50 copies of the Constitution to stu-dents. The event, held on the college cam-pus, focused on constitutional values and the protection of rights. Social Media State Chairman Sri Sun Murthi and Founder Sec-etary of the Human Rights Council, Sri Mantri Shyam Prasad, participated in the meeting.



Vizianagaram Working and Retired Employees get together

A general meeting of the Vishakhapatnam District Sistakaranams employees and re-tired employees, along with a family reun-ion, was held. Some photos are provided here.



Petition for OBC by Rammohan Naidu

Honorable Union Minister Sri Kinjurapu Ram Mohan Naidu personally met with the Union Law Minister, Dr. Virendra Kumar, on 10-12-2024, to request inclusion of Sis-takaranams and other 4 communitites in OBC. Visiting without any representatives from these communities and submitting the representation on our behalf shows his commitment. We thank him on behalf of Sistakaranams. Vizianagaram MP Kalishetty Appalanaidu, Palasa MLA Smt. Gouthu Siri-sha, leaders Venkanna Chowdary and Putta Eswara Rao requested the Union Law Min-ister Dr. Sri Veerendra Kumar to include Toor-pu Kapu, Kalinga Vaishya, Sistakarana, Sondi and Arava castes from North Andhra dis-tricts, in the central OBC list.

Puri-Tirupati Express. We are grateful for his positive response.



The group also met with the Union Minister of Railways, Sri Ashwini Vaishnaw, to dis-cuss rail priorities in the Srikakulam-Palasa area. They requested Bendi gate problem, development of Pundi Station and stoppage of Vishakha Express, Prashanti Express and

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Sudhakar Patnaik felicitated on promotion

Sudhakar Patnaik, who served as a Senior Assistant at the Mentada MPDO office, has been promoted and transferred to Merak Mududam Mandal as the EO. On this occasion, the MPP and fellow employees honored him with a grand ceremony.



Kurmannapalem Sistakaranam Sangham picnic

On December 15, 2024, the Kurmannapalem Sistakaranam Association organized a delightful and joyous picnic. All the association committee members and Sistakaranam families from the Kurmannapalem area participated enthusiastically, making the event a success. The picnic was graced by notable guests such as Sri Polumahanti Umamaheswar Rao, President of Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association, Sri Shyam Prasad, Sri Sun Murthy, who felicitated a few senior community elders with shawls and took their blessings. Financial assistance was provided to several underprivileged families. The event was attended by Sri D. Adinarayana, Sri Mantri Narasimhamurthy, Sri Mantri Shyam Prasad, Sri B.T. Jagadish, Sri Gavgavaram Gopi, Sri D. Satya Rao, Sri Rajeshwar Rao and others. Congratulations to the committee for organizing such a wonderful event.



89th Ward Chandranagar Sistakaranam Association Picnic

On Sunday, 5-12-2024, the 89th Ward Chandranagar Sistakaranam Association of Gopalapatnam successfully organized a picnic with around 200 members attending near the Daaralamma Temple in Bhagath Singh Nagar on the road leading from Kottapalem to Narava, Visakhapatnam. Notable figures like Sri Polumahanti Umamaheswar Rao, Sri Barli Ramanandam, Sri Mantri Venkata Rao, Sri Pakki Shekhar, Smt. Ch. Kavitha, Railway Association President Sri Pakki Balaji, Gajuwaka Association leader Sri Balivada Satya Rao, Seethamadhara Association Sri Godaba Prabhaka Dasu, prominent leaders from other Sistakaranam associations and others were present. The chief guest, West Constituency MLA Gan Babu, was unable to attend due to personal reasons, and his son Maurya Simha attended in his place. Congratulations to all involved.



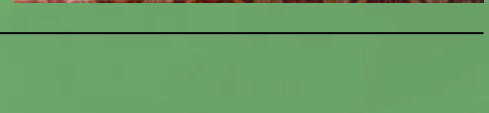
Sun Murthy calender unveiling

Sri Mantri Shyam Sundar, Principal Secretary, Human Rights unveiled the Sun Murthy Calendar at the launch event.



General Body meeting of Rajamahendravaram Sistakarana Seva Samiti

The General Body Meeting of the Rajamahendravaram Sistakaranam Seva Samithi was held at the local NGGO Home under the leadership of President Sri Sekharamantri Srinivasa Rao. Secretary Smt. Dabbiru Divakar and Honorary President Sri Potnuru Shiva Surya Prakash Rao were also present, along with members Sri Veenam Ramachandra Rao, Sri Rautula Veerabhadr Rao, Jaggumantri Satyanarayana, and Raghupatruni Babji Patnaik. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by Treasurer Sri Patnaikuni Durga Prasad



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Amrita Hospital Inaugurated in Sabbavaram

On 25th December 2024, Amrita Hospital was inaugurated on the Sabbavaram, Chodavaram Road, by Dr. Badrimahanti Shanmukh and Dr. Badrimahanti Tejaswini, the son and daughter-in-law of Sri Badrimahanti Venkat Rao, head of Adams Educational Institutions. The inauguration ceremony, which took place at 9:30 AM, included vedic prayers and was blessed by local MLA Sri Panchakarla Ramesh Babu, political leaders Sri Gandhi Babji, Sri Kottana Ramu, Sistakaranam community leaders, relatives, friends, residents of nearby villages. Pendurti constituency MLA Sri Panchakarla Ramesh Babu emphasized providing quality healthcare to the surrounding community. Dr. Shanmukh and Dr. Tejaswini shared that the hospital is equipped with advanced medical facilities and will offer general medical services at all times. The event concluded with honors for the public representatives. Congratulations.



Meeting in Sabbavaram

Sri Badrimahanti Venkata Rao met with the guests and members of Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association working group during the opening of Amrita Hospital in Sabbavaram.



NTR Zilla Proposed Working Group List

The names of those who may be interested in the election of the new executive committee of the NTR District Sistakaranam Association Committee have been proposed. This list will be announced after being informing everyone and taking approval, as clarified by the current Krishna District Education Committee General Secretary Sri Baliwada Shivakumar Patnaik. This list was prepared after discussing in the presence of all the members present at the executive committee meeting held on 29-12-2024 at 5 pm at Saraswati Plaza, Chittinagar, Vijayawada. In this meeting, Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association Committee Publicity Secretary Sri Sadashivuni Laxman Rao was also present as an observer.

NTR District Sistakaranam Association New Executive Committee Proposed List

- 1) Honorary President - Sri Veenam Subbarao
- 2) President - Sri Baliwada Sivakumar Patnaik
- 3) General Secretary - Sri Kagapu Vijayakumar*
- 4) Treasurer- Sri Patnaikuni Umamaheswara Rao (Bujji)
- 5) Vice Presidents
 - Sri Baliwada Narendrababu
 - Sri Allena Chakradhar Chakri
 - Sri Baliwada Malleswara Rao
 - Sri Nandivada Gopi
- 6) Admin Secretary- Sri Rompalli Santoshikumari
- 7) Secretaries
 - Sri Shekharamahanthi Satish
 - Sri Behara Krishnaveni-
 - Kantimahanti Shivakumar Patnaik
- 8) EC Members
 - Smt. Baliwada Rajiv Latha
 - Smt. Kantimahanthi Kalpana
 - Smt. Kantimahanthi Devi-
 - Sri Gumma Saikumar (Mounika Pharmaceuticals)
 - Sri Baliwada Srinu (Bhavanipuram)
 - Sri Rompalli Ganapathirao (Ganesh)
 - Sri Donkada Nani (Ramanagar)
 - Sri Pochayya
 - Sri Ganesh Patnaik
 - Sri Manapuram Rajasekhar (AE)
 - Sri Baggam Rajasekhar (Medical)
 - Sri Vandurangi Satyanarayana (Fire Department)
- 9) Advisory Committee Chairman - Sri Sekhara Mahanthi Hemasunder
- 10) Advisory Committee Honorary Members
 - Sri Raghupatruni Malleswara Rao (CMO)
 - Sri Satyendranath
 - Sri Patnaikuni Muralikrishna (Eenadu)
 - Sri Gandreti Tirupati Rao (RPF CI)
 - Sri Patnaikuni Radhakrishna (CI DGO)
 - Sri Kuppili Srinivasa Rao (RM PSRTC)
 - Sri Jaggumantri Ganesh Patnaik (BSNL)
 - Sri Govindarajulu (CMO)
 - Sri Nandivada Nani

Good news for the artists of Bobbili region

Dear Community Members,

The District Sistakarana Sangham has resolved to honor the talented artists within our community on January 12, 2025, in Vizianagaram. This event aims to celebrate individuals excelling in various art forms such as stage acting, music, and magic.

We request all artists to send their names, complete details, and a photo of their performance as proof to the WhatsApp number 9381411990 by January 5, 2025. Artist should submit a photo proof of their performance.

This program will be conducted under the guidance of District President MP Gauriswar Rao, General Secretary Suresh, and Treasurer Venkatesh.

Warm regards,

Sri Vantharam Sriram Murthy, President, Sishtakarana Sangham, Bobbili
P. Srinivas Patnaik, Assistant Secretary, District Sangham

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Election of new president of AP State Sistakaranam Association

On Sunday 29.12.2024, at the Allipuram Sistakaranams Kalyanamandapam, in a meeting held under the auspices of the all India, AP State, and various district Sistakaranam chief leaders, presidents, secretaries, an important decision among the several others... Election of new president of the Andhra Pradesh State Sistakaranam Association.

As per our community relative, Sistakaranam leader, revered elder, who in the past few years has rendered distinguished service as President of the Andhra Pradesh State Sistakaranam Association and Visakhapatnam District Sistakaranam Association, Sri SNK Mahanti's proposal based on the opinions and pronouncements of the presidents, secretaries, and executive members of various associations who attended the meeting, our relative, the non-controversial, gentle, elderly, and experienced Hon. Sri. Arikathota Chandramouli garu was unanimously elected as the new president of the Andhra Pradesh State Sistakaranam Association. On behalf of the executive members of our Endada Shishtakaran Sangam, we extend our heartfelt congratulations & best wishes.

In this meeting, the President of All India Sistakaran Association Sri. Kantimahanthi Venkateswara Banerjee, General Secretary of Visakhapatnam District Sistakaran Association Sri. Mantri Murthy, Treasurer of Visakhapatnam District Sistakaran Association Sri. Dadhiraio Haranath and the presidents, secretaries, treasurers and executive members of the associations of various districts participated.

- Kallepalli Shankara Rao, President
 - Gandreti Srinivasa Rao Rao, General Secretary
 - Shivam Jyoti Patnaik, Women President



New Year Calendar 2025 by Visakha Sistakarana Seva Sangham Kancharapalem

On December 29, 2024, the Visakha Sistakarana Sangham conducted a grand event at the NSN Reddy Function Hall, Allipuram, to launch the 2025 New Year Calendar. The event commenced at 3:00 PM under the leadership of the association's President and General Secretary.

The meeting began with the General Secretary presenting the 2024 annual report, which included a summary of activities and committee meetings. Details of upcoming initiatives and social service plans for 2025 were also discussed with the members. A special highlight of the event was the recognition of the General Secretary, Balivada Haribabu, for receiving the prestigious Hyderabad Sistakaranam Ikya vedika Lekha's 2024 Bhushan Award. In a heartfelt gesture, he dedicated the award to the association, emphasizing its role in fostering cultural values and fraternity.

To welcome the New Year, the members celebrated by cutting a cake and distributing sweets. The 2025 calendar, printed by the association, was unveiled by esteemed guests and distributed among the committee members. Attendees were encouraged to ensure the calendar reaches more members of the community.

Members who require additional copies were requested to contact the General Secretary via WhatsApp, SMS, or phone.

The event was graced by several distinguished guests, including Sri Mantri Shyam, a prominent social analyst Sri Sun Murthy, Stell Plant Officer & prominent Sistakaranam Sri Mantri Narasimha Murthy, Sri Santosh Kumar Patnaik, Smt. Kurada Pavani, Sri Baliwada Haribabu, Sri V.T.B. Patnaik, Sri Shivaji Patnaik, Sri G. Satya Rao, Sri S. Mohan



Rao, Sri Ch. Girish, Sri Baliwada Sriram Murthy, Smt. Vappangi Ramamani, Sri Vappangi Sridhar, Sri Koduri Ramakrishna, Sri Sardashivuni Easwar Rao, Smt. Sharvani, Sri Uruti Jairam from the Media, Smt. Pattapu Sandhyarani, Sri Praveen Kumar, and Smt. Sirisha.

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Annual Report of Visakha Sishtakarana Seva Sangham, Kancharapalem - 2024

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The Visakha Sishtakarana Seva Sangham, Kancharapalem, has had an eventful and productive 2024, filled with a variety of social and cultural initiatives. Below is a summary of the year's activities:

January

On **January 1, 2024**, the association launched its annual calendar at Lilliput School in the presence of members, leaders of various organizations, and well-wishers. Calendars were distributed among attendees and relatives.

March

March 8 & 10: Celebrations of International Women's Day were conducted at the school office on March 10. Around 24 women were honored for their contributions, emphasizing women's empowerment.

March 24: A matrimonial meet was held at Niranjana Meditation Hall, attended by approximately 300 families. Profiles were introduced, and marriage-related booklets were distributed for free.

April

On **April 9**, a special event was organized to release the "Krodinama Panchangam" at Lilliput School, Murali Nagar. A Vedic scholar recited the Panchangam, and copies were distributed free of charge.

June & July

June 26: The Executive Body met to plan a matrimonial event and the release of a booklet containing details of prospective brides and grooms.

July 14: The matrimonial meet took place at Niranjana Meditation Hall, featuring consultations with renowned astrologer Dr. Narayana Patnaik and health advice from meditation experts. Free distribution of booklets was arranged.

September

On **September 22**, the association held a meeting at its Murali Nagar school to plan **Karthika Vanabhojanam**, a large picnic combined with a matrimonial platform, scheduled for November.

November

On **November 3**, the Karthika Vanabhojanam was held at Madhavadhara Gardens, attracting over 1,000 attendees. The event featured a free marriage profile booklet distribution, a mega health camp, and various cultural activities.

December

A new initiative was launched to assist unemployed youth, aiming to create employment opportunities. Preparations for this program are underway, with significant interest from young participants.

Additional Activities

Throughout the year, the association actively participated in community events, attended celebrations of prominent leaders' birthdays, and collaborated with other social organizations.

Message from the General Secretary

Balivada Haribabu, the General Secretary, expressed pride in the Sangham's accomplishments and conveyed hope for continued growth in 2025 with more impactful programs.

This report highlights the Sangham's dedication to social service, cultural preservation, and community upliftment.

Sitammadhara Sistakaranam Diary Launch

On 31/12/2024 at 3 pm, the Sitammadhara Sistakaranam Association 2025 diary was launched at the Dwarkanagar Public Library in Visakhapatnam under the leadership of President Sri Godaba Gauri Prabhakar Das.

YCP leader Sri Mantri Rajasekhar and renowned poet Sri Sekharamantri Prabhakar Rao were present as chief guests and launched the new diary and extended New Year greetings.

Sri Sekhara Mantri Prabhakar Rao praised the services of the Seethammadhara Sistakaranam Association and said that the working group is planning and carrying out good programs under a committed leadership.

Speaking on the occasion, Sri Mantri Rajasekhar said that the Seethammadhara Sistakaranam Association is connecting relatives with the four good programs it organizes every year. He congratulated the executive committee.

The event was attended by Andhra Pradesh Media President Sri Sun Murthy, General Secretary Sri Kotipam Ramashankara Rao, Convener Sri Mohana Rao, Honorary President Sri Thumbali Prasada Rao, Co-President Sri Gandhi Krishna, Treasurer Sri Chaudhary Ramesh, Vice President Sri Prasada Rao, Organizing Secretary Sri Gopinath, Co-Treasurer Sri Srinivas, Secretaries Sri Sundareswara Rao and Sri Ravikumar, Joint Secretary Sri Suryaprakash Rao, Wom-



en's Secretary Smt. Thumbali Janakidevi, Executive Committee Members Sri Srinivas Patro, Sri Ravupalli Srinivasa Rao and Smt. Radha Kumari.

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Yelamanchali Talukaa Sistakaranam familie get together



A get together of Sistakaranam families under the jurisdiction of Yelamanchili taluka was organized under the leadership of Sri PST Patnaik in the premises of the school for the disabled, coordinated by Sri Satya Prasad, along with Sarva Sri Honorary President Sri Sekharamantri Satyanarayana Master, Dab-biru Kameswara Rao (Dimili), Kailasa Pati (Siva Kattubolu) and Chitti Patnaik (Yelamanchili). The chief guest was the treasurer of the state association, Sri Badri Mahanti Venkata Rao. The special guests were the president of the Anakapalle District Association, Sri Sekharamantri Venkata Narayana Patnaik (Bujji Patnaik), the president of the Aganampudi Lankalapalem Association, Sri Jayatu Gopi and the president of the Anakapalle Association, Sri Banerjee. The guests were the secretary of Anakapalle Sarva Sri Sekhar, Auditor Uma, Aganampudi Lankala Palem Sangam Secretary Krishna, Treasurer Baggam Subramaniam and Nakkapalli Satyanarayana. Women representatives on the stage Smt Mantri Sailaja (Chodepalli), Smt Jaggamantri Krishna Veni (Haripalem), Smt B. Anuradha (Achuthapuram) ushered in a new vigour and leadership to the association.

Main points

(1) Providing Sistakaranam Secretariat services with Achthapuram as center.

(2) Maintaining a data bank with details of each family.

(3) Organizing a health camp (dental/eye/general health) every 3 months.

(4) Plans to improve skill development and employment opportunities for the youth in the Sistakaranam families.

(5) Providing all available opportunities in education and health matters.

(6) Developing strong leadership and trying to lead constructively in the future.

(7) Providing full support and cooperation to the OBC Sadhana movement.

As part of the program, quiz questions were asked and prizes were distributed to the winners by the Aganampudi branch. Sri Badri Mahanthi Venkata Rao, Bujji Patnaik, Banerjee, Gopi, PST Patnaik were honored by near & dear. 92-year-old Smt. Madhavi Garu (Karanala Mamma Dimili), Hon. President Sri Sekharamantri Satyanarayana and his wife for their longstanding services were felicitated. The arrangements for the gathering, which was attended by almost 100 families, were made wonderfully by the founders of the ashram school, PST Patnaik and the children, and were appreciated by everyone.



With gratitude to the members of each Sistakaranam family who participated,

- Satyanarayana Master, Patnaik, Satya Prasad, Shiva, Chitti Patnaik Coordination Committee..

Vizianagaram Sistakaranam Sangam District Executive Meeting

Sistakaranam Development is possible only if the Sistakaranams in the district move forward with unity, said the district president of the association, Sri MP



Gowriswara Rao. On 29-12-2024, the district executive committee meeting of the Sistakaranam Association was held at the committee office at Guntur Varu Street in Vizianagaram. Speaking on this occasion, Sri MP Gowriswara Rao said that if the Sistakaranams walk together on the same path, OBC can be achieved. General Secretary Sri Rega Suresh and Honorary President of the Urban Department Sri Trinath Prasad said that so far the representatives of the association have been organizing the programs properly with one voice. On this occasion, a cake was cut and the 2025 calendar was unveiled. Sarva Sri Sudhakar Patnaik, Venkatesh, Baliwada Venkata Ramana Rao, Sudhakar, Varaprasad, Sanjeeva Rao, Tirupati Rao, Dhanunjaya Rao, and Tyada Prasad Rao participated in the program.

Lekha expresses its congratulations to them.

Formation of new executive body of Anganampudi Sistakaranam Association

A new working committee of Anganampudi Sistakaranam Association was formed. Mr. Jayati Gopi was elected as the president, Mr. D. Krishnarao was elected as the secretary, Mr. K. Satyanarayana was elected as the treasurer, and Mr. Minister Trinadha Rao was elected as the honorary president.



The Sistakaranam Samajika Vana Samaradhana of the Anganampudi Lankala Palem Ukkunagaram areas was held grandly in the premises of Kunchumamba Ammavari Temple in Duvvada. The event was attended by guests including the President of the Sistakaranam Sangha, Sri Polumahanthi Umamaheswara Rao, leaders of the steel workers' unions, Sri Mantri Rajasekhar, the Adinarayana, Govinda Rao, Korada Murthy, Gopalakrishna Rajeswara Rao, SNV Satyanarayana and others. The students who showed talent in class 10 were given prizes by the guests. After speaking, the guests called for working hard without compromising their abilities. After that, the new executive committee was formed.

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Delhi Sistakaranams Picnic

On Sunday, December 15, 2024, a grand mega picnic event was held at Talkatora Gardens in New Delhi for the members of the Sistakaranam community residing in Delhi and NCR. Around 75 members attended the event, which was filled with joy and excitement.

Although 120 people attended last year, the turnout of 75 was smaller than anticipated, mainly due to the ongoing 10th and Plus Two exams. This year more youngsters and middle-aged members participated and enjoyed the programme.

They spent time with the relatives present with dances and games.

The children who won the games were given expensive water bottles as gifts. It was delightful to give bangles as a gift to all the women. Water bottles were provided to the children. The winners of games such as lemon and spoon, musical chairs, couples' game and others were presented with prizes such as expensive ice cream cup sets, large glass sets etc. The picnic began with a Ganesh Pooja at 9:30 AM, followed by a delicious breakfast. After the introductions, various fun games and competitions were held. After a delicious vegetarian and non-vegetarian meal, the senior guests and Sri G.V.G. Yugandhar were felicitated. Among those who attended the picnic were Sri Naupada Sathyannarayana, Sri Viviramakrishna Rao and Dr. S.V.A.V. Prasad, Sri K. Sriramachandra Murthy, Dr. R. Nikhil Kumar Patnaik, Sri V. Pandari, Sri G.R.K. Rao, Sri Sriharsha, Sri Sanjay, Sri Karakavalasa Sankara Rao, Sri S. Narasinga Rao, Sri Rompalli Umaramalingeswara Rao, Smt. B. Girija Devi, Sri C.E. Sudheer Dabbeeru, Smt. D. Shilpa (on behalf of Sistakaranam Lekha Magazine), Sri B. Praveen Rao, Sri Srinivas Patnaik, Sri Dasamantha Rao, Sri Dasamantha Rao, Sri Dasamantha Rao, Sri Dasamantha Rao, Sri Dabbiru, Sri Dasamantha Rao Sri S Venkatesh Babu, Sri S Bhaskara Rao and their family members participated. Sri Dabbiru Shiva Bharath Kumar, Legal Head, ED, Sri Dabbiru Lakshmanadasu, Smt. Dabbiru Madhavi, Smt. Dhanalakshmi, Sri Bheemaga, Smt. Girija, Sri Shivvam Hari, Sri Vijayakumar, Sri Lakshmi pathi, Smt. Leena and other organizers who actively participated in the competitions in the games helped to make the picnic a success. They were all thanked profusely. The evening ended successfully with tea and snacks. Many have expressed happiness that they have been in Delhi for so many years and are happy to meet everyone like this.

The day's entertainment included dance performances by Chi. Jiu and Sudheer Munna, which were highly appreciated by all attendees. Smt. D. Shilpa also provided valuable information about the Sistakaranam Lekha magazine and how to access its digital version for free.

We congratulate the organizers for the smooth conduct of the event with the arrangements made in advance inviting everyone.



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Chi. Likhita bags second position in Kuchipudi dance



Chi. Lithika Nagumantri d/o Nagumantri Sailesh & Bhanupriya of Hyderabad bagged second position for Kuchipudi Dance in International Dance Competition organized by ALDA & Ministry of Culture, Govt of India, at Raipur.



Ghantasala's 102nd Birth Anniversary Celebrations

Paduta Teeyaga.. Celebration of 102nd Birthday of Padmasri Ghantasala Garu. Organized by Ghantasala Chaitanya Vedika Bhilai CG. Very Melodious Event of 50 Songs with Live Orchestra from Vizag & Hyderabad. In this Event our Sistakaranam Artists showed their talents and recieved laurels.

Baby Nagumantri Tanvisri was centre of attraction at the event. At the age of 6 years she enthralled the audience with her melodious song from Movie Devadasu (o Devada o Parvati). She is a budding artist and received Akkineni Nageswar Rao Award also from Andhra Association Raipur.



Prabhakar Honored at Raipur

Samskrithi Samakhya Sahithya Ratna Dabbiru Prabhakar was honoured at Sri Balaji Vidya Mandir, Raipur on 15.12.2024 by Sri Ramesh Patnaik and Smt. Sandhyaraj.



Fraternity Page - West Bengal



Sistakarana families solidarity picnic in Kharagpur

On 22-12-2024, more than 100 children, parents, shishtakaran youth and enthusiasts attended the Sistakarana families solidarity picnic held at Bajrang Chowk, Mathuraghati Railway Children's Park in the heart of Kharagpur city. The picnic was organized by Sistakarana youth in a way that reminded the past glory of Kharagpur Sistakaranams. Sri Manapuram Suresh, Founder and President, Sistakaranam Foundation, and his colleagues Sri Amaram Visweswara Rao and Sri Maradam Ravikanth, from Visakhapatnam, came a day earlier with joy to join the families of Kharagpur Sistakaranams participating in the picnic, stayed at the residence of Mantri Balagangadhar and was invited as one of the chief guests at the Sistakarana picnic on Sunday. Similarly, another chief guest, resident of Raipur and well-known poet, Sri Dabbiru Prabhakar had arrived two days earlier, to meet his family members at the house of his elder brother, Sri Dabberu Keshavarao, who lived in Malancha, and to meet the the families

of Sistakaranams who attended the picnic. The programme was started by Sri Mantri Balagangadhar, Chairman, Sistakarana Associate Group and Executive Member of All India Sistakaranam Association, while Sri Dabbiru Prabhakar, with Ganapati Prarthana, gave a good start. Speaking on the occasion, Sri Dabbiru Prabhakar reminisced his parents on his birth in Kharagpur, remembering his association with the people of Kharagpur Sistakaranams in the house, he was somewhat overcome with emotional and thanked all with tears of joy. At the request of the people who came for the picnic, good Telugu poems were recited in such a way that the greatness of Telugu was highlighted. At the conclusion, the last 4 years work by Kharagpur Sistakarana Youth, Lekha Teamwork, Mantri Balagangadhar's services as Lekha Correspondent from WB, Rajesh Ampalam's online updates, etc., were explained.



Kalam Snehitulu

Chitra Kavitalu - December 24



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 May-2024.

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



Sistakaranams in Literary Service

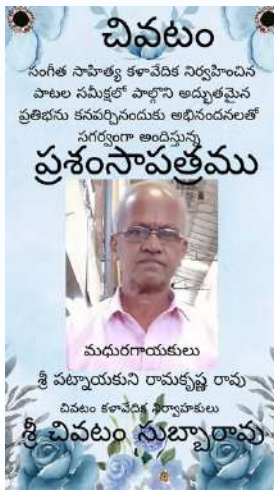
1) Sekharmantri Prabhakar Rao, an acclaimed figure with numerous awards in India, participated in the award celebration event where his new book *Prabhakiranalulu 501 to 1000* was launched. The event was attended by prominent personalities including Akhil Bharatiya Sistakaran Sangh President Sri D.V. Krishna Rao, TDP leader Akkamahanti Raja, Lekha editorial members Sri Sadashivuni Lakshman Rao and Sri J.V.C. Babu, along with Sri Balivada Shivakumar Patnaik from Vijayawada.



4) On 14-12-2024, Sri Sekharamantri Prbhakar was honored on the 109th anniversary of Gurajada. In the picture: Dwibashyam Rajeswara Rao, Dr Somaraju, Dr Seetharatnam, Dr Gopalakrishna, Dr DV Surya Rao.



2) Sri Patnaikuni Ramakrishna Rao received a certificate of appreciation for his remarkable contributions to the art of song reviews at the event hosted by *Chivtam Sangeeta Sahitya Kala Vedika*.



3) Sri Kotamahanti Venkata Rao was presented the *Harivilla Kavi Mitra* award for his 100 poems, along with a certificate recognizing his literary work at a ceremony by *Bhadradri Sahitya Vedika*.

5) Sri Patnaikuni Ramakrishna Rao received a Certificate of Appreciation for being listed in the *Top 10* at *Sri Sri Kala Vedika*.



6) On 24-12-2024, at the Prasanna Bharathi Sabha, a memento was received by Sekhara Mantri Prabhakar at the hands of Acharya Betavolu Ramabrahmam.



Kalam Snehitulu



Four years completed.. Sistakaranam Kavi Sammelanam



During the Corona time, in the Sistakaranam caste, an idea took shape. Many of us, Telugu language lovers, teachers, and those working in various professions, to create a platform, at an international level, on the internet...

Dabbiru Govinda Rao as co-ordinator, with Karakavalasa Gauri Prasad's advices Baliwada Haribabu's suggestions, Sa-dashivuni Lakshman Rao's linguistics, Prabhakiranas Prabhakaradu, Telugu teacher Kuppili Bheemeswara Rao's enthusiasm...

With Sistakaranam Lekha Chief editor J.V. Chandrababu playing the role of admin in this...

Kavi Kalam Yuva Kalam fusion Sistakaranam Kulam
Isn't the Kalam surname Karanam?
Becoming Kulam Snehitulu worldwide
A confluence of literary cordial relations
Remembering the fragrance of language once again
An intention to hold a poet's gathering in 2025
An idea of doing it in the presence of us all

Your Kalam Snehitulu
Baliwada Satyaraao.

Telugu Velugu Sahitya Jatiya Vedika programmes

1) At the third anniversary of the literary outfit Telugu Velugu Sahitya Jatiya Vedika in Adilabad on Sunday, 15th December 2024, Sri Pakki Ravishankar Satyanarayana Murthy from the Sistakaranam community, Hyderabad, was honored with the Seva Ratna award by the chief guests.



3) The 185th Zoom meeting of Telugu Velugu Sahitya, titled "What to Include in the 2025 Diary," saw participation from Sistakaranam poets, including Sri Patnaik Ramakrishna Rao, Uriti Lakshman Rao, Balivada Venugopal Rao, Arasada. Suryanarayana, Bhogela Umamaheshwara Rao, Moturi Narayana Rao, Dr. Murthy and others.



2) In the same programme, Sri Uriti Lakshman Rao from Garividi, a poet from the Sistakaranam community, captivated the audience with his poetry recital at the National Literary Celebrations. He was honored by the chief guests with a shawl and awarded an encouragement prize and memento.



4) At the Telugu Velugu Sahitya Poetry Meet on Chinnaya Suri Jayanti, Sri Satyaraao and Sri Patnakuni Ramakrishna Rao (Ramataata) received a certificate for their contributions.



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	ASHWITHA
Surname	MAROJU
Father's Name	MAROJU VENKATACHARY
Gotram	VISHWAGYANIBHRAMHAR
Date of Birth	17-Aug-1998
Nakshatram	MRUGASHIRA
Height	5' 4"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	B. PHARM
Preference	GOOD PERSON WITH BEST FAMILY

Name	VANI SREE
Surname	MUNAGAVALSA
Father's Name	M.APPARAO
Gotram	ATHREYA
Date of Birth	23-Mar-1999
Nakshatram	ROHINI
Height	5' 5"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	
Preference	CAN'T EFFORT MARRIAGE EXPENSES & DOWRY

Name	SRUTHI
Surname	KOTTUGUMMADA
Father's Name	K.SRINIVAS
Gotram	
Date of Birth	20-May-1994
Nakshatram	PURVA PHALGUNI /
Height	5' 3"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	BPT
Preference	



Name	KALISH KUMAR
Surname	YELURI
Father's Name	LATE Y. SRINIVASA RAO
Gotram	KASI VISHWESHWARA
Date of Birth	22-Sep-1990
Nakshatram	SWATHI
Height	5' 7"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE US BASE FIRM
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	ME / M.TECH
Preference	DEGREE +, PAN-INDIA, CIVIL BACK GROUND

Name	UDAY KUMAR
Surname	GANDRETI
Father's Name	G.VENKATRAMANA
Gotram	KASYAPA
Date of Birth	2-Dec-1995
Nakshatram	KRUTHIKA
Height	5' 9"
Complexion	
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK
Work Place	VIZAG
Education	HSC / INTER
Preference	

Name	SAI PRASANTH
Surname	PATTAPU
Father's Name	P.VENKATA RAMANA RAO
Gotram	BHARADWAJ
Date of Birth	1-May-1995
Nakshatram	SHATABISHAM
Height	5' 9"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE FORCE MOTORS
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	ANY DEGREE,

Name	SATISH KUMAR
Surname	YELURI
Father's Name	LATE Y. SRINIVASA RAO
Gotram	KASI VISHWESHWARA
Date of Birth	19-Sep-1986
Nakshatram	UTTARABHADRA
Height	5' 8"
Complexion	
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE MOLDTEK INDIA LTD
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	
Preference	

Name	SANTHOSH KUMAR
Surname	BEHRA
Father's Name	B. MOHANRAO
Gotram	KOUNDINYASA
Date of Birth	6-Dec-1988
Nakshatram	MRUGASHIRA
Height	5' 6"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE VIIGNAN BHARATHI ENGG.
Work Place	IBRAHIMPATNAM,
Education	NALGONDA, TELANGANA
Preference	DOB, -"89-"94 ; ABOVE SSC; PAN-INDIA

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Karnam World

Meeting with Sri Singumahanti Muralibhagavan



On 14th December 2024, resident of Chhattisgarh, Raipur, and prominent Sistakaranam leader, Sri Chowdhury Tirupati Rao (President, Sistakaranam Association, Raipur), visited the residence of our senior Sistakaranam leader, Sri Singumahanti Murali Bhagavan, in Vizianagaram. They had a meeting that lasted for more than an hour. During the meeting, they had an extensive discussion about the development of Sistakaranams and the services of late A.V. Jagannadharao Patnaik. Let's us congratulate them.

Belagam Bhimeshwar Rao – Telugu Children's Writer and Educator

Bhimeshwar Rao is a distinguished Telugu children's writer and retired teacher. His book "Tata Maatalu Varala Mootha" (Grandfather's Words – A Collection of Children's Stories) won the prestigious Bal Sahitya Award from the Sahitya Akademi in 2019.

Belagam Bhimeshwar Rao, was born in 1952 in Parvathipuram, Vijayanagaram district, to Belagam Gangaram and Rajeshwari. He earned his postgraduate degree in Telugu literature and worked as a teacher in a municipal school and retired. In 2002, he was honored with the Best Teacher Award by the Andhra Pradesh State Government.



Some of his notable works include:

- Ajeyudu
- Ade Samasya
- Annyayamaena
- Avasa Ram
- Asalu Nakili

- Adarana
- Era
- Erra Jirala
- Oka Asamarthuni Katha
- Tata Maatalu Varala Mootha (Children's Story Collection)
- Panasapallulu (Children's Poems Collection)
- Puraskaralu Savarinchu

Bhimeshwar Rao has received numerous awards for his literary contributions, including:

- 1992, Vijnana Vivardhini Award for Children's Literature from Bobbili
- 2002, Best Teacher Award from Andhra Pradesh Government
- 2004, MSCO - Andhra Jyothi Joint Award
- 2015, 'Srimathi Manchipalli Satyavathi' Smaraka Ugadi Balasahitya Award
- 2015, Telugu Rakshana Vedika 'Balasahitya Bhushan' Title
- 2015, Dr. N. Mangadevi Balasahitya Award
- 2017, Ravuri Bharadwaja Kalapeetham 'Gangishetti Chiranjeevi' Balasahitya Award
- 2017, Potti Sriramulu University Keerthi Award
- 2019, Central Sahitya Akademi Balasahitya Award

Sri Kuppili Raja Rammohan Rao's message to the younger generation



Sri Kuppili Raja Rammohan Rao's message to the younger generation is: "Make your way to success and contribute to the benefit of society."

Being the son of a dedicated and honest police officer, and frequently moving due to his father's job, Rammohan Rao had an inconsistent education during his primary and secondary school years. He attended six different schools between class 6 and 11, including one in Odisha, which made him a perpetual back-bencher. However, his strength in Science, particularly Biology, led him to aspire to become a doctor.

Initially planning to pursue a B.P.C. stream, due to a misunderstanding, he was enrolled in M.P.C., which shifted his focus from medicine to engineering. But, lacking the required proficiency in Mathematics, he was unable to secure an engineering seat. Instead, he followed his strength in Physics and completed a B.Sc. in Physics, followed by an M.Sc. in Applied Physics.

Sri Rammohan Rao had intended to join the Indian Air Force (I.A.F.) but missed the opportunity as the announcement of his M.Sc. results was delayed, preventing him from completing the necessary SSB tests in 1961. Considering his family's financial situation, he took a position as a Physics lecturer in Odisha for seven months before joining the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) as a Geophysicist in 1962. ONGC recruited postgraduates in Physics due to their expertise in maintaining and repairing Geophysical Equipment.

During his 34 years at ONGC, Rammohan Rao was highly recognized for his contributions. The most notable achievement was his sponsored trip to Russia in 1976 to specialize in Pulsed Neutron Logging (PNL) techniques. PNL was a cutting-edge tool at that time, used to distinguish between oil and fresh water under certain conditions. Along with the commissioning of this tool in the Ankleshwar (Gujarat) Project, he contributed to the development of a prototype with the help of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC) between 1976-78.

His second-highest position at ONGC was when he was appointed to head the Regional Laboratory in Nazira (1978-83) to oversee the repair and maintenance of logging field parties in the eastern region.

After retiring in 1995, Rammohan Rao was offered various prestigious positions, including:

1. Academic Counsellor (Technology) for IGNOU
2. External Faculty for the Ministry of Petroleum (PCRA), New Delhi
3. Consultant for Scintrex Geophysical Services (India) Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
4. External Examiner for M.Tech. (Petroleum Exploration) at the Delta Studies Institute, AP
5. Guest Faculty for M.Sc. Geophysics at Berrhampur University, Odisha

At 87, Sri Rammohan Rao reflects on his career with great fulfillment paving his way against all odds, having enjoyed all the roles he undertook.

Karnam World

Epitome of Service Krishnamurthy Kuppili

For 25 years, Sri Krishnamurthy has served in various roles of EC member, Jt. Secretary, Vive President in the Srikakulam Sistakaranam Association, actively supporting under-



privileged students by providing notebooks and uniforms. In 2000, he collaborated with the Srishtikarta Vellipora Association and youth volunteers to organize service programs, including medical assistance for needy families. If any poor family faced illness, they were provided with medical facilities and admitted to hospitals. Krishnamurti did all this with the help of youth members. A devoted follower of Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, he has also participated in numerous spiritual service initiatives.

Late Bhavasree Interview

On 3rd December 2021, our renowned literary figure, late K.S. Wandrangi Ramarao, passed away. Known as BhavaSri in the world of literature, he was well-



known for his contributions. You can watch his interview in the following video link.

<https://youtu.be/yWvCD8nB2mc>

This Telugu Patnaik is an artistic ascetic

Our sculptors naturally make sculptures of famous people or deities. In contrast, Chaudhary Satyanarayana Patnaik, a nationally recognized sculptor, has carved lives into humanistic bronze sculptures. He dedicated his life to the field of sculpture and was born on 6th December 1925 in Badam, Srikakulam district.

Although he did not like it, he took over the responsibility of 'Chikkavalasa' inherited from his father and during his working days, he was inspired by the paintings of famous painter Kurmapu Narasimha and learned oil painting, tea painting and darkroom processing from him. Later, on Narasimha's suggestion, he joined the School of Fine Arts in Madras in 1947 with the help of the District Collector of Srikakulam. The famous sculptor and painter Devi Prasada Chaudhary, who is the principal of the school, taught the methods of making sculptures, how to use tools, and how to give final touches to the sculptures in the studio. As a student, he was influenced by the French improvisers and imitated experts like Siga and Vyas.

Patnaik, who felt that sculpture is better than painting to influence the common man, worked dedicatedly in that field for the rest of his life. Noticing Patnaik's art talent, D.S. Reddy appointed him as a senior grade drawing teacher in the Postgraduate Basic Training College. Later, he worked as a sculpture teacher for two decades at a government women's college in Guntur.

Patnaik's unique style is in terracotta style carvings on bronze in the Mauryan, Mohanjadaro, Shunga and Kushan periods. Patnaik has not forgotten his rural lifestyle. Mold the shape with clay and mold it with wax and melt the bronzes to make the statue

Patnaik's special talent for making

Shows. They showed innovation and naturalness in every sculpture.

In 1998, he established Patnaik Art Gallery

in Guntur under his own name and exhibited his paintings and sculptures in it. The gallery was opened in 2009 by the then Chief Minister of Visakhapatnam, K. Roshaiiah. Managed continuously for nearly a decade. In 2020, the gallery closed after his son Ravi Shankar Patnaik, a sculptor, passed away during Corona.



Patnaik wrote a book on bronze sculpture. He said that I have brought my personal experience in the form of a book with the intention of imparting the bronze statue design education that I studied hard to this generation. Most of Patnaik's sculptures are made with a humanistic perspective. He has created more themes like motherhood, real life film and romance. Created by him under the name of Face, Navi got the most fame.

Patnaik served as the Vice-President of the State Academy of Fine Arts and as the Secretary of the Federation of Indian Artists. A recipient of the Telugu University Award, Patnaik served as a member of the Advisory Council of Andhra, Nagarjuna and Telugu Universities. He traveled to Russia, Poland, Japan, Germany, Australia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Romania and other countries and showed the uniqueness of our Telugu film and sculpture.

In 2011, the Central Government honored him with the 'Vyoshreshta' award on the occasion of Senior Citizens' Day. Awarded by the All India Crafts and Fine Arts Society of Delhi and the 'Kala Ratna' Award by the State Govt. Patnaik's sculptures are on display in various galleries across the country. 30 sculpture exhibitions were organized in Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Guntur, Visakha and other places. Patnaik passed away on August 8, 2022 at the age of 97.

Entrepreneurs Frontier

AP Digital Technology Summit

The AP Digital Technology Summit, organized by the Andhra Pradesh State Government, will be held in Visakhapatnam on January 8-9, 2025. This event provides an excellent opportunity for our Sistakaranam enthusiasts, start-up entrepreneurs, and businesses offering technology-related services to participate and make the most of the event.

- Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao



Talent Corner

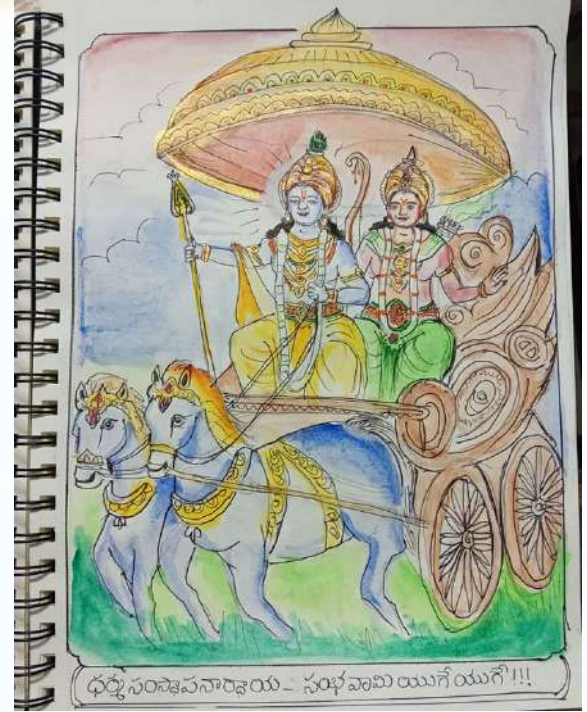
Chi. Harshita Tiina's amazing dance performance in Delhi National Cultural Festival

Our Sistakaranam Kala Ratnam Ch. Raghupatruni Harshita Tiina participated in the National Cultural Festival organized by the Ministry of Human Resource Development and the Bhalabhavan Society of India in New Delhi from November 20th to 24th and performed multilingual folk dances.

Tiina, the daughter of senior journalist R. Nagaraj Patnaik from Visakhapatnam, has been performing in the presence of celebrities in countries like Thailand, Indonesia, Sri Lanka and Singapore since a very young age and has made a name for herself in the Indian art scene. Raghupatruni Harshita Tiina, who has received many awards at the district and state levels, has participated in interstate cultural festivals organized with the support of the state government in Shimoga and Cuddalore in the state of Karnataka, and Bhubaneswar, Sambalpur, Deogarh and Koraput in the state of Odisha and performed multilingual dances. She participated on behalf of India in the International Folk Dance Festival held in Thailand and Subang, Indonesia and received praise.



Drawing by Sri Dabbiru Dharma Rao



Health Page

Dyspnoea Symptoms Awareness:

Tips from Dr. Naveen Nadiminti on Managing Breathing Difficulties

Experiencing difficulty in breathing can be a sign of a severe condition, so it is crucial to seek medical help immediately. Common causes include asthma, pneumonia, heart failure, and lung cancer. If you experience chest pain, shortness of breath, or trouble breathing, go to the nearest emergency room or call 911. Additionally, trying to stay calm and taking slow, deep breaths can help.

Here are some important tips for maintaining healthy lungs and preventing breathing difficulties:

- **Quit Smoking:** Smoking is harmful to the lungs, causing conditions like cancer and COPD. It's best to quit smoking entirely or significantly reduce it.
- **Breathe Clean Air:** Avoid prolonged exposure to polluted environments. Use air purifiers at home to ensure clean air.
- **Regular Exercise:** Engage in regular physical activity, especially cardio exercises (e.g., walking, jogging, swimming), which strengthen the lungs and improve breathing.
- **Healthy Diet:** Incorporate foods that boost lung health, such as leafy greens (spinach, kale), fruits (apples, berries), nuts and seeds, and fatty fish (salmon, mackerel).
- **Stay Hydrated:** Drinking enough water helps maintain hydration and flushes out toxins from the body.
- **Reduce Air Pollution:** Use cleaner fuels and focus on air quality in your home and car.
- **Breathing Exercises:** Practices like yoga and pranayama can enhance lung capacity and aid in breathing.
- **Vaccinations:** Get influenza and pneumococcal vaccines to protect the lungs from infections.
- **Regular Check-ups:** Schedule lung function tests regularly, especially if you live in an area with pollution or smoke.
- **Professional Cleaning:** Pulmonary rehabilitation services can assist with lung cleaning in cases of severe pollution exposure.
- **Home Cleanliness:** Keep the house free from moisture, vacuum regularly, and dust often to improve air quality indoors.
- **Use a Humidifier:** Keeping the air moist can help reduce respiratory problems.
- **Nutritional Supplements:** If unable to get all necessary nutrients through diet, consult a doctor for appropriate supplements.

Travelogue

Raipur to Hyderabad – A Journey to Remember

Traveling with 100 excited students and teachers from Raipur to Hyderabad was always going to be an adventure. A slight delay of eight hours due to a train derailment couldn't dampen our spirits. With chicken rice, snacks, songs, and laughter, the journey was as vibrant as our destination.

Day 1: Hussain Sagar Boating, DJ Dance, and Birla Mandir

Our first day in Hyderabad began with an energetic visit to Hussain Sagar Lake. The highlight was a lively boating experience, complete with a DJ onboard. The music and beats had everyone on their feet, dancing away their travel fatigue. The cool breeze over the sparkling waters made the experience even more enjoyable.

Post the lively outing, we moved to the serene Birla Mandir. Perched on a hill, the white marble temple offered a peaceful contrast to the morning's excitement. Students admired the intricate carvings, while the panoramic views of the city added to the charm of this spiritual stop.

Day 2: Fun and Frolic at Ramoji Film City

Day two took us to the world-renowned Ramoji Film City, a dreamland for movie enthusiasts. The day was packed with thrilling rides, breathtaking film sets, and live performances. Students enjoyed exploring the secrets of movie-making, while the teachers admired the creativity on display.

A sumptuous lunch re-energized us for more exploration, and the day ended with tired feet but hearts full of happiness.

Day 3: Charminar, Paradise, Golconda Fort, and More

Our final day in Hyderabad was packed with history and fun. We started with the iconic Charminar, bustling with activity and the aroma of delicious street food. Before this, we stopped at the legendary Paradise Restaurant for a delightful lunch. The biryanis lived up to their reputation, leaving everyone satisfied and ready for the next adventure.

Post-lunch, we explored the majestic Golconda Fort, where the students marveled at



the ancient acoustics and panoramic views. The stories of history and valor came alive as we wandered through the fort's sprawling complex.

Though the journey began with a delay, the memories we created over these three days were nothing short of magical. From spiritual solace to historical grandeur, cinematic wonder, and lively adventures, Hyderabad gave us an experience we'll cherish forever.

- D Sunita Rao

Principal, Gyandeep Vidya Mandir



Our Treasures

First/Oldest Sistakaranam Association in Kharagpur

We came across this old document that indicates that what is probably the first/oldest Sistakaranam Association in Kharagpur, WB (in erstwhile Bengal Province) was established in 1920.



Divinity

As the sadhana deepens, the sadhak is to understand divinity. Liberation does not come without, one becoming devine. In the shakta maarg, when the crown chakra opens one communes with the devine. Opening of crown chakra signifies that one is in union with the divine, or the oneness. The nidhi dhyasana of scriptures that sadhak is one with every thing is to be remembered here. When sadhak feels, he is different from the oneness, the crown chakra do not open fully.



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

In a worldly life one need to work toward attaining divinity. It can be attained by cultivating empathy, love, compassion and forgivingness. In a mundane world, scenarios appear to discriminate 'me, versus them versus him'. In other words mundane, one world forces one to think in separatist notion. However the divine is to think of collective growth. It is practically, impossible to inculcate divinity in worldly life. The social settings are always separatist - 'one religion versus another religion, one community versus another community and so forth'. One needs to transcend all such subscriptions of mind. This is the reason, adepts and yogis live in secluded life. A compassionate heart and mind invites the well being of holistic nature. It seeks, collective well being. The works of collective well being are very slow, and happen without the notice of many.

If the sadhak is practicing divinity he can start observing the works of divinity, and he lets the unfolding happen smoothly, he does not control. Humans are so programmed to control, that the equanamous observation of the natural happenings is not an easy thing to accomplish. When the sadhana reaches an advance level surely one would be able to observe and manifest the collective goodness, may it be in a team, a home or in group.

Speak Out!



KYC presentation style is very impressive

Dear sir,

I have gone through your articles on KYC (know your caste) published in the last three issues of "Lekha" publication on the functions of Sistakaranam groups all over India. I am very much impressed on the style of your presentation in consize about the origin, history and migrations of Gouda brahmins from a region called Gouda desha a place between Bengal and Odisha. The original migration of us from Gouda desha to Utkal and from then to Kalingandhra was clearly explained in the books written by our great personalities like late Sri. Kuppili Krishnamurty Kavi garu in his book "Utkala Vipra Vamsha Pradeepika" and writeen by late Sri. Kondavalasa Chalapati Rao garu in his book "Sampoorna Sista Karanala Charitra". There is another book written by late Sri. Dabbeeru Nagabhushana Rao garu by name "Sistakaranala Charitra" who also

made a research and compiled from so many books and articles of early Sistakaranam groups by name "Sista darshini". He also mentioned that we are acharya brahmins (gurus), a sect of Gouda brahmins whose earlier profession was Raj gurus and Ministers in Kingdoms. Later migrated to Kalinga as Ministers, Deewans, Raj gurus etc. in Kings Courts. Later when Kingdoms vanished or were abolished, our ancestors turned to village karanam. Your articles on KYC are highly informative and well explained to understand about the early history and migration of our community people. I hope every body of our community people should go throgh and understand about the glory of our community. Kudos to your attempt to give knowledge to our people that we belong to brahmin community. Thank you sir, thanks a lot. Hope all our community people will definitely read and understand.

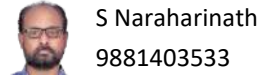
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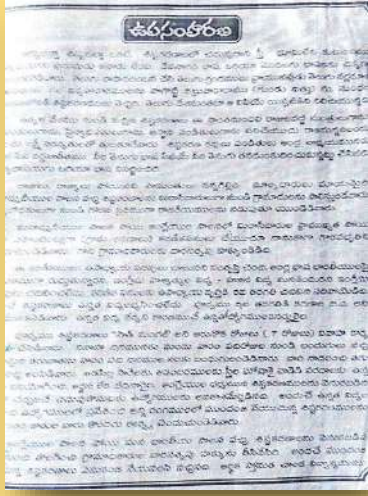
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This series of my articles titled KYC & AISKA started with review of first book titled SRI UTKALA VIPRA VAMSA PRADEEPIKA in Part-1 and second book titled SISTAKARANAMULA SAMPOORNA CHARITRA in Parts 2 and 3, (both in Telugu).

Having completed three parts of this long article, reviewing of two Telugu books by and on Sistakaranams, let me deal with the third and yet another most informative book in Telugu (103 pages, 29 Chapters) of last Century. It is titled as **SISTAKARANA CHARITRA: COMPILATION (Sekarana) BY LATE SRI DABIRU NAGABHUSHANA RAO PATNAIK (1919-1992)** This book (available [here](#)) was printed in October 1998 (six years after his demise). Narasannapeta Town & Taluka Sistakarana Sangham supported the Project. The index (Vishaya Suchika) given on page no. 21 shows 29 pertinent topics on Sistakaranams dealt with by the author.



On pages 2-3, author Sri Patnaik introduced the book. He begins with high appreciation for Sistakaranams, who **migrated from Utkal (Orissa) to Kalinga-Andhra Kingdom, switched from Oriya to Telugu** and for having created an excellent script (Lipi) in Telugu Language. The community was endowed with the blessings of Lakshmi and Saraswathi and led a happy life with the generous patronizing by the Kings who appointed them as **Ministers, Advisors, Chief Commandants and Pandits (Scholars)**. Over a period, Muslims captured the area and ruled, but continued to engage Sistakaranams in the administration. Later, under British rule, they suffered without high positions and switched to teaching profession by picking up English language to regain their positions.

In independent India, they were **pushed down to lower strata** upon denial of Village Karanam as a family profession. Ninety percent of Sistakaranams suffered with poverty and struggled for decent living, due to lack of political power or support. Marriage system needed change, Education and Employment had to improve and Women needed to be given equal social status and empowerment. There was **Urgent Need of the hour - Unity among all sections** of the Sistakaranam community with collective wisdom so that everyone will prosper.

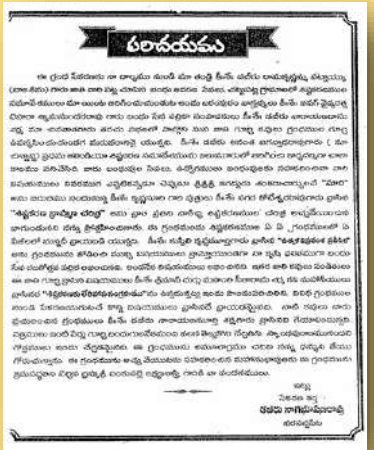
Pages 6-7 contain the introduction of the Author, fondly called as **BHUSHANAM MASTARU**. Born on **October 30, 1919 in Bala Seema Village** of Urlam Firka in Narasannapeta Taluk of Srikakulam Dis-

trict, as a third son of Sri Rama-krishnamma Patnaik and Smt Suvarnamma, he started his career as a teacher. He founded an Aided Elementary School in 1948 and handed it over to the Government in 1959. The school is referred to by his name and he also served as a Secretary of the Teachers Union. He lost his wife in 1964 but dedicated himself to social service by starting a **Theosophical Society in Narasannapeta**. He learnt Homeo Medicine and practiced serving the community free of charge.

He loved the Sistakaranam community and helped several poor and needy in many ways. He gathered all available literature across the States to bring out this book on the **History of Sistakaranams**. He successfully organized several meetings of All India Sistakaranams Association (AISKA, which was founded in May 1925 in Jalumuru) in 1971, 1980 and 1991 in Narasannapeta, Jalumuru and other towns. He also introduced the concept of **Vana Bhojanam** for members. He was instrumental in renovating the Someswara Temple in Kuddam.

In his foreword on page 8, Bhusshanam Mastaru acknowledges the support given by his own father, and mentors like **Sri Bishag Vaidya Ratna Behara Shyamasundara Rao of Berhampur, Sri Dabiru Narayanasu Sharma, the Editor of BANDHU SEVA Patrika, Sri Anantha Jagannatha Rao**, his uncle who organized the AISKA meetings in Jalumuru and Others. He quotes the manuscript titled **SISTAKARANA BRAHMANA CHARITRA** by **Sri Sagara Koteswara Rao** and **SRI UTKALA VIPRA VAMSA PRADEEPIKA (1898)** by **Sri Kuppili Krishna Murthy Patnaik**.

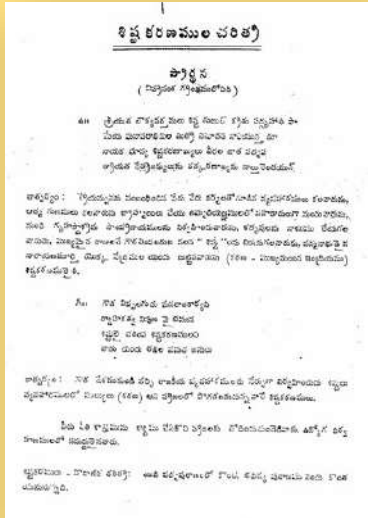
Pages 9 to 18 contain **several felicitations by eminent personalities to Sri Dabiru Nagabhushana Rao Patnaik** by (1) Sri B Krishna Murthy, Retd IRS, Income Tax Officer, Srikakulam (2) Sri Anantha-patnaikuni Venkat Rao, President, Town Sistakaranam Association, **Kotabommali** (3) Sri A V Jagannadha Rao Patnaik, General Secretary -AISKA & Chairman-BC Central Action Committee, **Visakhapatnam**



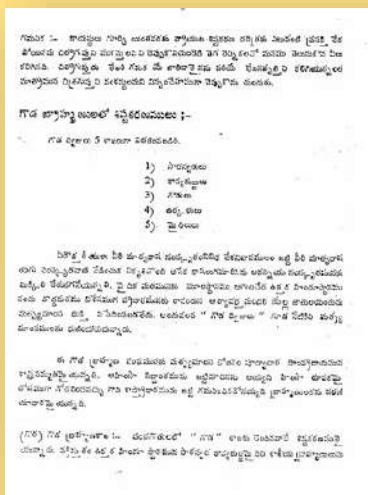
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On page 22, the author begins with a Prayer from Vipra Vamsa Pradeepika (book by Sri Kuppili Krishna Murthy Patnaik) which clearly defines the term Sistakaranam, detailing all possible high praising terms about the community. It is stated that Sistakaranams migrated from Gowda Desam (Kingdom in East Bengal) and picked up all the skills of administration and good governance. They are duty bound and highly appreciated. They learnt all the laws of land and were also into teaching. There is a popular belief that Sistakaranams are descendants of Chitrugupta and belong to Kayastha community.



On page 25, the author writes about Sistakaranams as Brahmins: Gowda Dwijas are divided into 5 groups. These are 1. Saraswathulu 2. Kaanyakubjulu 3. Gowdulu 4. Uthkalulu and 5. Mythilulu. All these are from North India and their mother tongue was Sanskrit. Depending on different places of residence, the Sanskrit language also transformed into different local dialects. North India is centrally focused on Vaidic religion and hence Buddhism did not take roots here. Consumption of non-vegetarian food was not banned here. Hence, Gowda Dwijulu have the practice of having non-vegetarian food.



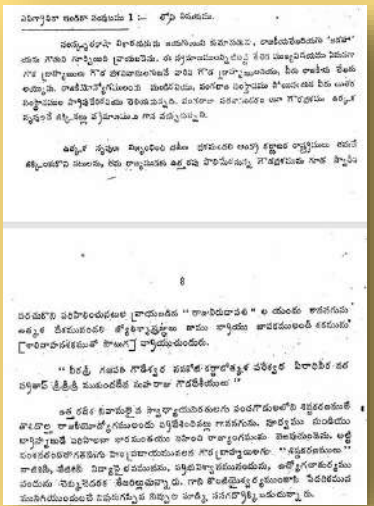
Traditionally, the practice of non-vegetarianism is acceptable among Gowda Brahmins. From the angle of non-violence, such a practice is not tenable but from the Scientific angle, it has come to be accepted. Gowra or Gowda Brahmins is one of the five groups and so are the Sistakaranams. Gowda+Utkala Shakha Brahmins are generally found in the Southern parts of Vindhyaachal. Utkal and Gowda kingdoms were neighbours and people in these areas spoke Oriya language. Bengali is a later language and is very close to Ori-

ya language. Sistakaranams, who are Gowda Brahmins, gradually migrated towards Southern India. There is a need to distinguish these two groups of people and identify the distinction. For example, Dwijulu (Brahmins) in Maharashtra, Mythilis in Mithila and Gowda Brahmins in Gowda territory were all known by their place of residence. Sistakaranams who were from Gowda kingdom are said to be Gowda Brahmins. By virtue of the profession of Village Karanam adopted by these Gowda Brahmins, they were known as Sistakaranams. Gowda kingdom was part of Bengal, but was located adjoining Utkala Desam. Over a period, Bengal kingdom vanished necessitating Sistakaranams / Gowda Brahmins to disperse to different locations.

Thousands of families of Gowda Brahmins were affected due to dismantling of Bengal kingdom, but they were not merely confined to performing Vaidic rituals or profession. They were otherwise endowed with scholarly works and administrative experience, which were utilized to occupy high political or administrative positions in territories like Utkal, where they migrated to.

Extract from Epigraphical Indica

1: Utkala kings were aggressive in moving down south to capture Andhra and Kalinga kingdoms; simultaneously encroaching on and rule Gowda kingdom which was to their north. This was written in "Raju Birudavasu" and by the Jyothishyas of Utkal Kingdom in their memoirs of Salivahana Sakam. Sistakaranams were self-made Pancha-Gowdas of Northern India, who entered in the profession of political administration. It was an established fact that Brahmins being an intelligent clan, were always at the helm of affairs. Traditionally these Gowra-Brahmins who were also known as Sistakaranams maintained high intellectual caliber, loyalty to the king and were skillful in discharging their responsibilities. However, having lost their past glory, they were lying low due to poor living conditions they landed in and were suppressed. Investigative Research found out that Sistakaranams were the Gowda Brahmins which was very well established.



In Marathi, the language of Maharashtra, meaning of the term Dabbiru is Minister. Dabbiru also means a Treasurer handling Financial / Revenue matters. Sistakaranams as Dabbirus, worked in high positions with Golkonda Nawabs. Sher Mohammed Khan was representing Golkonda Nawabs and ruled Srikakulam who appointed a Sistakaranam, by name Narayana Dabbiru as his army head whose clan permanently settled down in Jalumuru. A combination of Gowda Brahmins and Dabbiru families resulted in Sistakaranams as a strong clan eventually taking over the role as Grama Karanams / Village Administration.

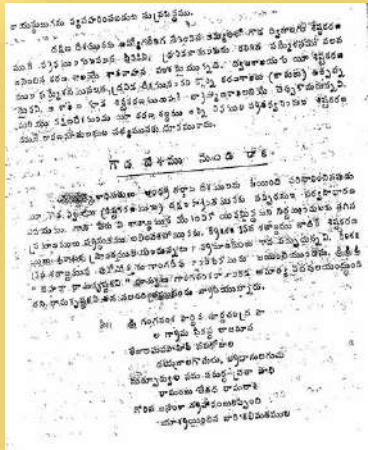
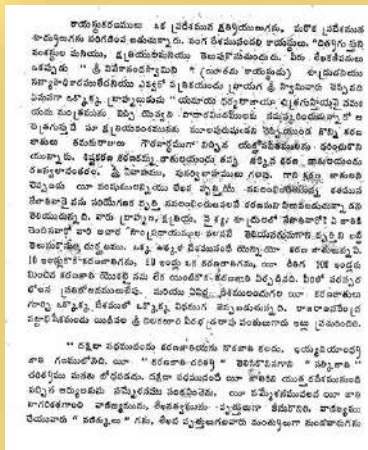
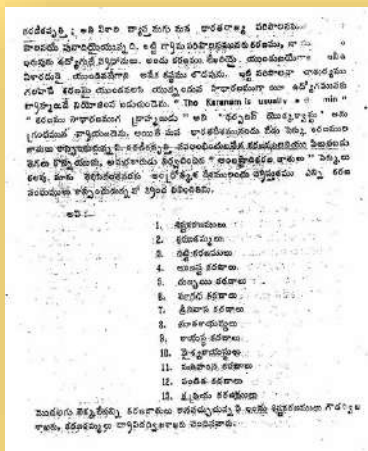
Profession of Karanam: Village Administration in India is generally carried out by two communities, ie., Karanam and Naidu. Karanam

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should be knowledgeable to maintain revenue records, have administrative skills and able to handle intricate matters. Normally, an intelligent Brahmin is entrusted with Karanikam. We have more than a dozen sub-groups of Karanams. These are 1. Sistakaranamulu 2. Karana Kammalu 3. Chitti Karanamulu 4. Ambashta Karanalu 5. Dubbai Karanalu 6. Maagadha Karanalu 7. Srinivasa Karanalu 8.Sutha Kayasthulu 9. Kayastha Karanalu 10.Vaishya Kayasthulu 11.Mathihamsa Karanalu and 13. Kshatriya Karanamulu. Of these, while Sistakaranams are Gowda-Dwijas, Karana Kammalu are Dravida Dwijas.

Kayastha karanams are known as Kshatriyas and Sudras in different places. In Bengal, Kayasthas are said to belong to Chitr Gupta clan and as Kshatriyas. Once upon a time, they were Writers. It is difficult to classify Karanams where they belong to, like Brahmana, Kshatriya, Vaishya or Sudras depending on the traditions they follow but not on the basis of profession they carry on! There are a number of sub-groups of Karanams in Orissa. There is no clear-cut relationship among all these sub-groups. Sistakaranams were part of Aryans who are Gowda Dwijas moved to down South in search of employment and came in touch with Dravida groups to become Sathavahana families. All these Karana group of families evolved as Sistakaranams and were said to be equivalent as Dravida Brahmins.

Page No. 33: Arrivals from Gowda Kingdom (Gowda Desamnundi Raaka): When Utkal kings won over Andhra and Karnataka kingdoms, the Gowda Dwijas (Sistha Karanams) moved along to down South. However, it is not definitely known as to in which century it exactly happened. But there are evidences that Sistakaranams were in Srikakulam by the 15th Century itself. Three sects of Karanams viz., Narapathis (Vijayanagara rajas), Harapathis (Bahamani Sulthans) and Karipathulu (Gajapathi kings)



were appointed as Ministers. Sistakaranams were given high importance by the Kalinga Kings and other South Indian Kings, as written in the History of Andhras.

Page 35 Sistakaranams and Traditions (Saampradayamulandu Sistakaranamulu): Sistakaranams follow Gowda traditions. They were concentrated in the Southern part of Ganjam District and Northern area of Visakhapatnam. They moved to other places in search of employment. Their population was confined to 2 – 3 thousand families, with a total strength of 25 to 30,000. They gave up Vaidic profession and switched to revenue collection / land records maintenance jobs, hence justifying the name Sistakaranam, and are superior to other Karanam communities in different parts of India. Sishtakarano or Sistakaranams followed Sama Veda like Gowda Brahmins; allowing Vaidic profession to be carried out by Dravida Purohiths. They use the title PATTHO-NAYAK, or Patnaik which means Vidya-Gurus. They also use other titles like Mahantho, Patro, Ponditho, Monthri, etc. They are primarily in the professions of Ministers (Manthris) and Teachers. Some men sport moustaches. They were Gowda Brahmins, migrated from Gowdapuram in Bengal to Utkal.

On page no.36 the author deals with Gruha namamulu – Birudamulu ie., Surnames and Titles of Sistakaranamulu. According to Gowda family traditions, Sishtakaranalu did not have Surnames before and were only using titles like Sarma, Pathak etc. Few centuries after their migrating to Andhra area from north India they adapted and started using surnames. These are of different types, such as 1. Village Names (Salehundam, Mandavakuriti, Kallepalli, Yarapati, Balivada, Urlam, etc.) 2. Titles (Chowdari, Behara, Dabbiru, etc) 3. Names of Ancestors (Manipatruni, Kasimahanthi, Gopalakrishnuji etc). As a tradition in North India, titles are added as a suffix to the first name of a person, while in South it is the opposite ie., in the beginning as a prefix. Sistakaranams started using titles as surnames only after migrating to South India.

Some examples and explanations for the above are given about 1. Patra 2. Chowdari (Bengali) 3. Dabbiru (Marathi) 4. Behara 5. Mahanthi 6. Patnaik, etc. The title Mahanthi was given to Gowda Brahmins (Sistakaranams), Utkala Brahmins, Andhra Brahmins and Kayasthas, all of whom were entrusted with Village Administration

