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“From Wisdom to Legacy: Passing the Torch to Our Next Generation”

Celebrating 100 Years of All India Sistakaranam Association (1925–2025)

The year 2025 marks a historic milestone for our community — the **Centenary Celebrations of the All India Sistakaranam Association**. For the past 100 years, guided by the foresight of our visionary leaders, our community has stood tall as the **“Wisdom Administrators”** of society. Our roots are centuries old, our values timeless, and our legacy continues to inspire generations.

Across India and around the globe, Sistakaranam associations have worked tirelessly to bring people together — through **cultural gatherings, picnics, digital magazines, welfare initiatives, and even political representation**. The leadership at every level deserves deep appreciation for carrying forward the torch of unity, knowledge, and welfare.

Yet, as we celebrate the glory of the past century, a question naturally arises:

How do we ensure that our second generation carries this legacy into the next century?

The Missing Link: Involving the Next Generation

While our community has grown in strength, it is noticeable that **second-generation participation in community activities is very limited**. Whether it is a cultural meet, a welfare initiative, or a leadership event, our younger members are often absent.

This may not be their fault. In fact, it may be partly ours. Perhaps in the busyness of education, jobs, and modern lifestyles, we could not introduce or guide them adequately into community life. As a result, many youth today are unaware of the **rich history, legacy, and global strength** of our association.

If we want our legacy to remain vibrant for the next hundred years, **now is the time to act**.

Today’s Scenario

The new generation is **global, digital, and fast-paced**. They think differently, work differently, and communicate differently. While we gathered in physical spaces, they build communities online. While we wrote newsletters, they consume content on social media.

Unless we **adapt our approach** and engage them in ways that resonate with their world, the gap between legacy and youth will continue to grow.

The Roadmap: Bridging Generations

To prepare for the future, we must draw a **collective roadmap** with the help of our senior leaders and youth representatives. Some actionable steps include:

- Youth Engagement Programs** – Organize youth-centric forums, leadership camps, hackathons, and cultural exchanges to give them ownership and voice.
- Mentorship Circles** – Pair senior leaders with young professionals and students to transfer wisdom, guidance, and career support.
- Digital Legacy Archive** – Create an online library of our community’s history, great personalities, and milestones — accessible to every young member worldwide.
- Global Youth Network** – Form a dedicated Youth Wing of the All India Sistakaranam Association with branches abroad, linking young members across geographies.

5. Roadmap with Timelines – Define clear goals for the next 5 years and 10 years, ensuring smooth leadership succession.

6. Open Feedback from Youth – Actively collect ideas from young members and integrate them into our community vision.

Looking Ahead

The Centenary Year is not just about celebrating **100 years of legacy**. It is also about asking:

What will the Sistakaranam community look like in 2125?

Will we continue to be remembered as the “Wisdom Administrators”? Will our youth carry forward the same unity, foresight, and contribution to society? The answer lies in the actions we take **today**.

As proud members of this historic community, it is our responsibility to **bridge the gap, ignite the spirit of belonging in our second generation, and hand them the torch of leadership**.

Author’s Note

The above reflections are shared with deep respect towards our community leaders and members. This is purely my best of knowledge and suggestion only, offered with the intent to spark dialogue and collective action for the future of our great community.

B.R.BABU, Hyderabad

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Community News

Sistakaranams in 79th Independence Day celebrations

1) Recognition in the Field of Arts. During the 79th Independence Day celebrations, young prodigy Kondadadi Aithi-



hya, who has shown remarkable talent in Kuchipudi dance, was felicitated by State Tribal Welfare Minister Gummidi Sandhya Rani and Parvathipuram Manyam District Collector A. Shyam Prasad. It was appreciated that at just 11 years of age, Aithi-hya has already given more than 300 Kuchipudi and Bharatanatyam performances. The dignitaries expressed hope that she will achieve greater acclaim at the national level through her future performances.

2) Independence Day Celebrations in Palakhandyam. At Palakhandyam MPUP School, School Management Committee Chairperson Chantati Lakshmi and teacher Kudama Tirumala Rao hoisted the national flag. Speaking on the occasion, Lakshmi emphasized the importance of remembering the great leaders who sacrificed their wealth, lives, and spirit for India's independence.



3) Independence Day Wishes from Dr. Arikatota Kanakaraju.



4) On 15-08-2025, Independence Day was celebrated at ZPHS School,



Devalabhadra, Nandigam Mandal, Srikakulam District, where SGT teacher Dabburu Dharmarao participated.

5) Independence Day was also observed at Rajam Regional Sistakaranam Welfare Association building.



6) At Vizag Human Rights Council Office, Mantri Shyam Prasad and Sun Murthy took part in the celebrations.



7) At Sri Paradesamma Seva Sangham Ramalayam, Railway New Colony, Visakhapatnam, Secretary Baliwada Sundareswara Rao hoisted the national flag.



8) Under the leadership of Anjaniputra Chiranjeevi Walkers' Club, founder-president Tyada Ramakrishna Rao (Bal) organized a flag hoisting at the Municipal Corporation walking ground, Ayanapeta Junction, 42nd Division.



9) At Vizianagaram Sistakaranam Association, beloved member and ITI Principal Tonangi Venkatagiri received a Certificate of Appreciation from Hon. Minister Kondapalli Srinivas.



10) In Chodavaram, Anakapalli District, Independence Day was celebrated with schoolchildren of Prema Samajam Government School and Adams Institutions, along with Prema Samajam members and Forum for Better Chodavaram. Leaders included Poosarla Rama Rao (President), Advocate Bobby (Chief Guest), Secretary Satyanarayana, Krishna Rao, Prasad Raju, Badri Mahanti Venkata Rao, Director Phalgun, Balaram, Vajjala Prakash Rao, Vasavi



Kanyakaparameswari Committee Madhu, Bank Ramesh, and Ark Prasad. A 70-meter-long national flag rally was carried out through Prema Samajam, Police Station, Kothuru junction, Courts Complex, Swayambhu Vigneswara temple, with patriotic slogans like Jai Bharat Jai Jai Bharat, Vande Mataram, Bharat Mata Ki Jai, Bolo Swantatra Bharat Ki Jai.

11) Locharla Ramesh, Assistant Director, Department of Information &



Public Relations, Andhra Pradesh, currently DIPRO of Manyam District, once again received the Best District Officer Award this year.

12) Raghupatruni Raj Kumar, Srikakulam District, received a Merit Certificate.



13) Congratulations to Raj Mahanti Venkata Ramana, President of 1104 Unit



Circle Union, for receiving the Best Employee Award from the Electricity Board SE S. Lakshmana Rao at Vizianagaram, on the occasion of the 79th Independence day celebrations.

14) Congratulations to Baliwada Sai Chakradhar, MEO Gajapatnagar.



15) Sekharamantri Prabhakar was felicitated by village elders at Yarada Village Sabha, Visakhapatnam.



16) At Avilala Grama Sachivalayam, Avilala Sridhar participated in flag hoisting.



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Community News

Sistakaranams in 79th Independence Day celebrations

17) Sri Sekharamantri Prabhakar presented prizes to Yarada school students.



18) Arasada Pavan Teja received the Best Employee Award from Hon. Minister and Vizianagaram Collector.



19) ASI Baliwada Ramesh Babu was awarded the Seva Puraskaram at the Arts College Grounds. Minister Kinjarapu Atchannaidu, District Judge Junked Ahmad Molana, Col-



lector Swapnil Dinakar Pundkar, Joint Collector Furman Ahmadban, District SP K.V. Maheshwar Reddy, and MLAs Gondu Shankar, Nadukuditi Eeswara Rao presented the honor. Currently posted at Laveru Police Station, he served as ASI at Srikakulam in the past. Wearing Khakhi since 1990 he has earned many commendations for integrity and honesty.

20) At Rajamahendravaram, Sistakarana Seva Samiti senior member Kimmi Puchchi Ratna Ravikumar (KBR Ravikumar) was honored as Talented Best Revenue Officer by East Godavari Collector and Cinematography Minister Kandula Dur-



gesh, during the 79th Independence day celebrations at Rajamahendravaram Municipal Corporation. It is a matter of pride for all our caste members that he is one of the most talented officers in our caste. Sistakarana Seva Samiti extended its heartfelt congratulations to Ravikumar.

21) Gandhian Raghupratuni Vasant Kumar said that the path of Mahatma is his life's

goal, and that in his childhood, his father participated in the Salt Satyagraha on the call of Gandhi in 1940. On the occasion of Independence Day, he garlanded the statue of Gandhi at the local old bus stand and distributed sweets to the students. Speaking on the occasion, he said that his father became a fan of Gandhi and participated in the Salt Satyagraha called by Gandhi and went to jail, and later the government recognized it and gave them five acres of land. He said that he liked Gandhi's ideals and wanted to follow his path since childhood and has been helping accordingly since then. He said that every year on Independence Day, Republic Day and Gandhi Jayanti, he explains about Gandhi to the students and tells them to follow his path. He said that he worked as a private employee in the Kotabommali Panchayat office for about 30 years and helped the people in any way he could, and that there was no one in the Kotabommali Panchayat who did not know Vasantha Kumar. He urged everyone to follow the path of Gandhi and carry forward Gandhi's ideals.



22) Belgaum Chandrasekhar felicitated. The 79th Independence Day celebrations were held at the local NIC office in Parvathipuram Manyam district. NIC Senior Branch Manager V Srinivasa Rao unfurled the flag. Subsequently, SIC Senior Branch Manager V Srinivasa Rao felicitated Belgaum Chandrasekhar with a medal. Fellow employees and agents congratulated Belgaum Chandrasekhar. Employees and agents participated in this program.



23) In Hyderabad, MLA Arikepudi Gandhi attended Independence Day celebrations at Chandanagar residence of Markonda Patnaikini Gouri Prasad.



24) At Allipuram, Visakhapatnam, Independence Day was celebrated at Sistakaranam Bhavan, led by AP Sistakaranam Association Hon. President SNK Mahanti, President Arikathota Chandramouli and Treasurer.



25) The 79th Independence Day celebrations were held grandly at the Sakshi unit office in Srikakulam on Friday. Staff from all departments participated in the program and paid homage to the national flag. Local Sakshi Chief Sub-Editor Sri Uruti Srinivasa Rao hoisted the flag.



26) In Vizianagaram, the Pensioners' Association celebrated Independence Day with President Kantimahanti Murahari Sanjeeva Rao, Secretary Raj Mahanti Ravikumar, and Treasurer Baliwada Venkata Ramana Rao.



27) In Telangana, at Mahabubabad MPDO Office, Kaparapu Srinivas, Executive Director of SC Corporation, hoisted the flag as Special Officer.



We have published the information we have received and if anyone sends us any more information, we will publish it in the next issue.

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Community News

Sistakaranams in Political Arena

1) "The credit of ensuring pensions for all eligible beneficiaries goes to the Alliance Government," said TDP Sistakaranam Empowerment State Convener Akkumahanti Raja. He distributed widow pensions to beneficiaries in the 45th division of Machilipatnam city.



2) The Government of Andhra Pradesh has appointed Smt. Salihundam Sridevi, Principal of Tagore Public School, Srikakulam, a respected Sistakaranam leader, and wife of Salihundam Ravikumar (Journalist), as a member of the Board of Trustees of Sri Umarudra Koteswara Swamy Temple, Srikakulam. Congratulations to her. After TDP came to power, she is the second person from the Sistakaranam community to hold a political position.

3) State Minister Kollu Ravindra, issued zero tickets to women passengers as a conductor. Participating in this program were Krishna District In-charge Collector Geetanjali Sharma and Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranam Association President Akkumahanti Raja.



4) "Annadata Sukhibhava" – MLA Ramanamurthy, Kalinga Corporation Chairman Krishnamanaidu, and Sistakaranam leader Sadasivuni Ram participated in the farmer's tractor rally.



5) Sri Akkumahanti Nageswara Rao (Raja), President of State Sistakaranam Association and Convener of Telugu Desam Party's State Sistakarana Sadhikara Samithi, met with Sri P. Narayana, Minister of State for Municipal Affairs, who was on a visit to Machilipatnam.



Newsmakers

SRF Award to Smt.Renuka

Let us congratulate Smt Renuka Balivada, Principal – Vivekananda Residential School, Karimnagar, Telangana State for having been honoured by SRF, Hyderabad with GURUBRAHMA AWARD, 2025-26 on the occasion of SRF's 22nd Anniversary and Teachers' Day. She is a native of Visakhapatnam, resident of Hyderabad and now working in Karimnagar, TG since 2023. Earlier she worked in the same establishment, Sister Nivedita School (CBSE) in different capacities, in Hyderabad since the year 2001. She studied her schooling and Intermediate in Visakhapatnam, B.Sc. with Botany, Biochemistry and Chemistry in St. Ann's College for Women in Visakhapatnam, B.Ed in Gurajada College of Education in Srikakulam and Post Graduate Diploma in Career Counseling IC3 before joining her job.



She has undergone various professional trainings in CBSE Capacity Building Programmes: Formative Assessment, Life Skills, CCE, Classroom Management, Counseling, English Language Teaching – Encyclopaedia Britannica & Oxford University Press, Workshops: Foundational Literacy, Multiple Intelligence, Child Psychology, Gamification, Storytelling, NEP Salient Features, Stress Management, Ethics & Integrity, Anger-Free Schools, Blended Learning, AI Awareness & Appreciation, Preschool & Early Years Training: Toy Pedagogy, Art Integration, Movement in Early Years and Pre-primary Techniques.

Srinivasa Ramanujan Foundation (SRF) is located in Quthbullapur, Hyderabad, Telangana. SRF is carrying out many service programs for last 20 years. Their website is www.srmoe.com. It felicitates poets, artists, writers, academicians who are working hard for the betterment of the society. It honours doctors, policemen, film artists, youth groups, blood donors, University Professors to charitable organizers, University Vice Chancellor to NIT Director, government and non-government employees with district, state level awards.

Srinivasa Ramanujan Foundation is the only organization conducting Olympiads across Telangana state free of cost for government school students to bring out the hidden talent in students. The organization has got a place in the Telugu Book of Record and Wonder Book of Records for its services. SRF conducts Olympiad exams in an endeavour to develop a greater competitive spirit, better assessment and exploration of potential among students. They are SRF - Srinivasa Ramanujan Mathematics Olympiad (SRMO), SRF - C.V. Raman Science Olympiad (CVRSO), SRF —State English Olympiad, SRF —ABDUL KALAM OLYMPIAD and NSRMO, SEO.

Sri Baliwada Satya Rao elected as President of Manavata Swachandha Seva Sanstha

Manavata Swachandha Seva Sanstha under the auspices of the joint Visakhapatnam district, celebrated its 10th anniversary on 01.09.25.. at Kalyana Mandapamla. The new executive committee was elected in the presence of founders Sri Ramachandra Reddy and president Sri Krishnam Raju.



It is commendable that Sri Baliwada Satya Rao has been elected as the president of the Gajuwaka unit Manavata swachandha seva sanstha Manavata swachandha seva sanstha has today expanded to all parts of the state with the lofty goal of service to humanity. While continuing service programs under the auspices of their organization, innovative programs will be organized to inspire the society... In a statement, the new president Sri Baliwada Satya Rao informed...

Newsmakers

Best Treasurer award to Sri Satya Rao

In the annual year 2024-25 of the Lions Club Visakhapatnam Gajuwaka, a memento as the 2nd best Treasurer was presented to Baliwada Satyarao by Lion Governor Prasad Subbaraju and Nunna Srinuvasa Rao.



Felicitation at 90

Sri Raghupatruni Rajeswara Rao, Honanary lieutenant, Aviation Observer, who is 90 years, has been felicitated by the Octogeneran Veterans on 5th August 2025 at his residence, 102, Sai Kasi Mansion, Chinawaltair, Visakhapatnam on the occasion of successfully completion of 30 years of pension life, as a super senior citizen of India. He hails from Ichapuram native and residing at Visakhapatnam. His better half away eight years back with Cancer. His two daughters occasionally join with him. During the felicitation time, his elder daughter Ms. Bhawani Banerjee [residing at abroad] was present. Mr. Rao was more emotional on seeing the young and dynamic Navy officers along with Octogeneran Veterans. An octogenarian is a person who is in their eighties, specifically between the ages of 80 and 89.

This phase of life is commonly referred to as one's ninth decade.

Dr. Prof. Raghupatruni Bhima Rao

[Sri Raghupatruni Rajeswara Rao is young-est uncle of Sri Bhima Rao].



Triumph of the Sistakaranam sisters

This illustrated story tells us a direct story that proves how valuable 'education' is in society. Father Sadashivuni Ramaprasad is a retired secondary grade teacher. Hometown Chinthalapeta, Amadalavalasa mandalam. The girls witnessed how their parents had to face many financial difficulties to educate their daughters. That is why they considered education as a means of atonement and worked tirelessly. This girl (Nirmala) is working as an English language lecturer at the Srikakulam Government Polytechnic, while her sister 'Aruna' is working as a mathematics lecturer at the Srikakulam Government Degree College. The wonderful triumph of these sisters should be an eye-opener for today's generation which is struggling to study despite providing all the facilities. Well done.. Nirmala & Aruna!! Congratulations to the parents of these gems, Sri Ramaprasad and Lakshmi!!!

As a researcher Sadashivuni Nirmala has earned her PhD in evaluative studies on English language teaching and learning processes. She received her doctorate from Andhra University Vice Chancellor Professor G.P. Rajasekhar. Analyzing the status of English teaching in government polytechnic colleges in Srikakulam district, she emphasized its importance in the employment opportunities of students and the development of technical skills. She conducted her research under the guidance of Professor Prasannasri.



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Belagam Bhimeswara Rao's song included in Maharashtra's first grade textbook

A work from Parvathipuram district has received a rare honor of being included in the Telugu medium book of the Maharashtra Education Department. The song 'Maa Chinni Babu', written by Belagam Bhimeshwara Rao, a children's literature writer from Parvathipuram town and winner of the National Sahitya Academy Award, has been included in the Maharashtra first-grade textbook. Bhimeshwara Rao informed that this was conveyed by Tulsi Bharat Bhushan, Special Officer of the State Textbook Production and Planning Research Institute. In the past, his works have been included in primary and secondary classes as lessons. The song 'Paduduma Achukkageetham' written by Ganteda Gaurunaidu from Parvathipuram is also being taught as a lesson to ninth grade students. Bhimeshwara Rao said that the inclusion of Parvathipuram's works in the curriculum in Maharashtra is considered a great honor for this region.

నిర్మలకు డాక్టరేట్



(సత్యంస్వయీ, శ్రీకాకుళం)

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Newsmakers

Sistakaranams at the North Coastal Andhra Cartoonist Forum

On 10-8-2025, we attended the prize distribution ceremony for the winners of the national level cartoon competition organized by our NCCF (North Coastal Andhra Cartoonist Forum Visakhapatnam) at the 13th anniversary celebration of Visakha Sanskruti Monthly Magazine.

Prizes were given to the winners of the story and poetry competitions. Our SK distinguished guests who participated in this gathering were

- 1) Cartoonist Jaggu Mahanthi Omkar
- 2) Cartoonist Patnaikuni Naresh
- 3) Village Names Book Author Vandrangi Kondala Rao
- 4) Story Writer Award Winner Arasada Seshagiri Patnaik
- 5) Regulavalasa Ravikumar

It was a pleasure to meet them.

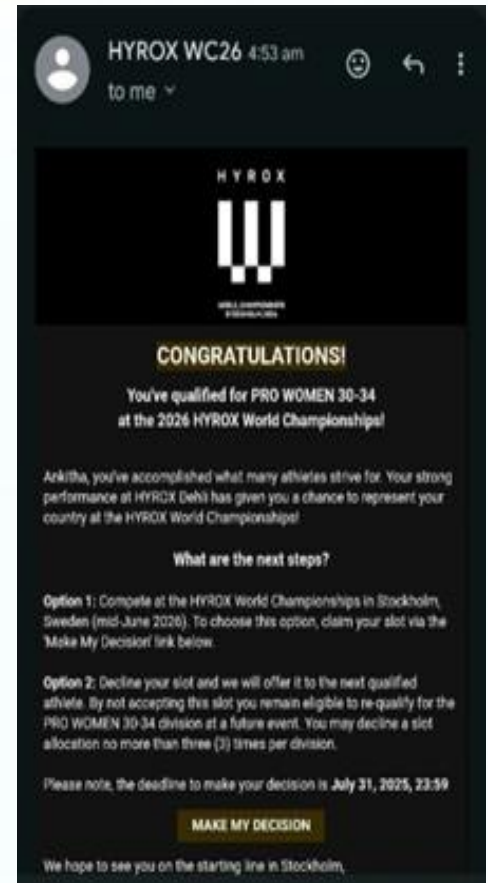
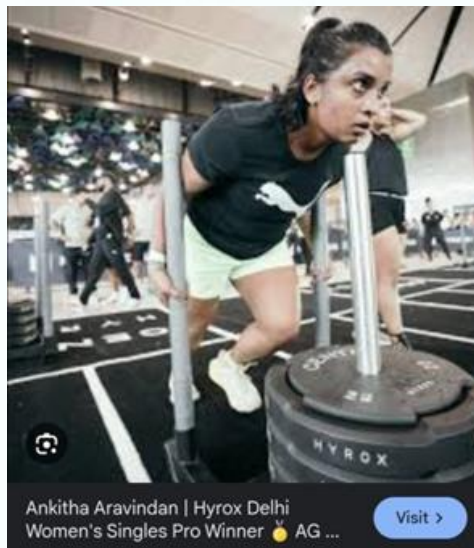
- Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao



Ankitha secures first place at HYROX, to compete in Sweden

Miss Ankitha Aravindan Dabbiru from Bangalore secured first place at the National level contest in Delhi of HYROX (U S Brand) which recently started in India, making her the only female in her category to do so.

Her exceptional performance, earned her the prestigious nomination to represent her country at an international competition in Sweden.



Smt. Umamaheswari at the National Education Policy Festival

At the National Education Policy (NEP)–2025 Festival held in New Delhi, Smt. Buravilli Umamaheswari, Headmistress of Kandra Ward High School, Edapuru, represented Andhra Pradesh. Invited specially by the Ministry of Education Innovation Cell, she attended the celebrations at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, accompanied by students G. Lavanya and T. Shravya. Earlier, while serving as a Biology teacher in Regidi, under her guidance the science project “Natural Hair Dye” was selected as one of only two projects from Andhra Pradesh to reach the national level. Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan personally appreciated the project. Remarkably, the project “Natural Hair Dye” conceived by Umamaheswari was chosen among India’s 27 best projects. On this occasion, she received an award from All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) Assistant Director Yogesh Brahmankar and Ministry of Innovation Assistant Director Elangovan. On this occasion, she was congratulated by District Education Officer Tirumala Chaitanya, Deputy Education Officer Williams, District Science Officer N. Kumaraswamy, and Mandal Education Officers Kuramana Apparao and S. Viswanatham.



Editorial

Life...swimming against tide..

Lekha's a heartfelt Namaskarams to all the Sistakaranam relatives.

This time, the victory of our people was clearly visible in many places in the Independence Day celebrations.

It is a happy thing to have our people in the many fields, but also to receive awards. From the beginning, we have been known as hard working, committed community in the society. Now we are clearly getting recognition everywhere.

Of the ones we have compiled, there are about 27 and there are many more, I hope many of them have received recognition. Those who missed it can please send us. Everyone will know about you in the world of Sistakaranams. This will be an encouragement and inspiration for others to come forward.

Now, if we discuss the understanding of the truth of life, I am compiling for you here what I have read here and there, heard here and there, and learned through experience.

Every human being faces problems in some form or another throughout their lives. Not everything they hope for happens. Circumstances are not always favorable to a person. Life is not a bed of roses for anyone. These problems and difficulties are common in human life. When they come, one should continue his efforts without getting discouraged. Just as trees that have lost their leaves in autumn sprout in spring, happy days will surely come in human life. That is why one should move forward with confidence without giving up even when facing problems and difficulties.

Dharmaraja once asked Bhisma, 'Problems do not stop occurring in every human life. How should a human behave then?' Then Bhisma replied, 'Kumara! Even if problems surround us and difficulties engulf us, the first duty of a human being is not to lose courage... Problems should be faced with determination and courage. Only then will a solution be found for every problem'.

*In fact, the real cause of problems is the lack of proper understanding of them. There are three ways to solve every problem. Accept, change, and let go. If you cannot accept the problem as it is, you have to change it. *If you cannot change it, you have to let it go

*Weak-minded people get upset even over small problems and drown in an ocean of worries. Strong-willed people act appropriately in any difficult situation. Even if they encounter many difficult problems in achieving their goals, they solve them and continue their efforts. Eventually, they reach the goal peaks.

Life is a serious ocean with ups and downs. It has tides. There are also touches of happiness and sweetness. That is why every person needs the understanding to understand the situations without getting bogged down by problems or overwhelmed by happiness. *When there is understanding, we can travel calmly with problems and difficulties. Then, if you think in the direction of the solution, the problems will become clear like cotton.

Flying birds do not turn back because of the headwind. They rush forward boldly. The surging rivers do not fear that the mountains are blocking them. No matter how many obstacles they encounter, they break through them and move forward. Even if the branches are cut, the roots of trees that are deeply rooted do not lose their existence. They remain eternally new with their fresh gums. If you observe nature, which constantly provides silent messages like this, nothing seems like a problem to a person.

Shri Krishna says that just as the seasons come and go in nature, so too do happiness and sorrow come and go in human life. That is why we should accept the circumstances. We should face problems with courage. You should act with understanding and take a step forward...

By the time the October issue arrives, we will be celebrating Dussehra. I hope everyone will celebrate Dussehra happily and peacefully. I hope that your children will meet their elders during the holidays, receive blessings, and follow their instructions and move forward in life..

Jannumahanti V. Chandrababu
Chief Editor, Lekha

Interview

From teaching to journalism

A Telugu pandit with a passion for news reporting and writing articles carved himself as a freelance journalist. Received awards from Eenandu's Ramoji Rao, district collectors, and many literary forums. He interviewed prominent personalities like ANR, writer Dr. K.V. Krishna Kumari. He is easily identified with his books "Ooru-peru" and "Grama naamaalu". Yes, you correctly thought of Vandrangi Kondala Rao, an Onomashtician. Let's ask him the rest of things.

Please tell us about career

I did my M.A. and B.Ed. I am a retired first-class Telugu pandit (scholar) from Zilla Parishad High Schools after working for 34 years. I also worked for a brief period as a part-timer in Eenadu newspaper. Now I am a freelance journalist. I have so far written more than 250 articles in leading daily, weekly, and monthly magazines.

Share with us about awards received in your works

I have received many awards for my literary work. I was awarded the "Best Contributor Award" by Eenadu the Chairman, C.H. Ramoji Rao for the Visakhapatnam edition. I also received two awards from Andhra Pradesh Language and Culture Department on the occasion of Gurajada Jayanti in Vizianagaram and another award for self-poetry recitation at the Vijayanagara Utsavam. I got felicitated by the Vice-Chancellor of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Echcherla. Later, the "Amaravati Award" was presented to me by Andhra University. The "Godavari Maha Pushkara Award" in Vizianagaram and the "Telugu Literary Award" in Srikakulam were presented to me by Telugu Rakshana Samithi. I got the "Ugadi Award" from Amaravati Vishwas of Visakhapatnam. I was felicitated by the District Collector and Superintendent of Police of Srikakulam district in my native place, Ponduru, for preserving the mother tongue. I also gave 16 speeches on various sponsored topics in All India Radio (AIR) stations of Visakhapatnam, Adilabad, and Hyderabad.

We understand that you have written books. Please share with us about it.

A book on "Uru-Peru" was published in 2017 with the courtesy of the A.P. Department of Language and Culture. The books "Grama naamaalu" were published in 2022, "Our God is Your Master" in 2016, "Sai Sharanu" in 2008, "Guramma Perantalu" in 2010, and "Ponduru Maro Porbandar" in 2011. Along with my group of friends, I started a monthly magazine, "Vikasam" in Ponduru.

Name the prominent personalities you interviewed.

I interviewed the then film legend "Akkineni Nageswara Rao". I also interviewed Gandhi's granddaughter, "Tara Bhattacharjee", famous stage actors "Vijayaraju", "A. Venkateswara Rao", famous writer "Krishnakka" and others. All these interviews were published in newspapers.



Any forgettable incident in your career?

I recall one remarkable response to an article, "Cheyyani neraniki chitrahimsala-paalu" written by me in Eenadu created a stir. The DSP stepped in and arrested the accused in connection with this story. The magistrate called me and congratulated me by saying, "Of the press."

Father	: late Chinaguru-murthy
Mother	: late Radha Kanthamma
Spouse	: Rama Devi
Native Place	: Ponduru, Srikakulam district

Tell us the titles bestowed upon you.

Kasibugga Janajagruhi Sahitya Samakhya conferred the title of "Vyasabrahma" and Bharati Sahitya Samsukthala Seva Sanstha bestowed upon me the title of "Sahithiratnam"

Your comments on Lekha.

The role of maintaining a newsletter and website for the upliftment of the social class is commendable. Lekha is contributing greatly to social consciousness. It is taking the lead in providing good introductions and encouraging talented people in their respective fields. It also provides news of meetings and conferences from time to time. It is known that good stories are being published about those who help the helpless in the society. It is a welcome development to present the Lekha Awards to those who demonstrate talent in their respective fields every year.

Kondala Rao garu who played a key role in publishing Sistakaranams' news in leading newspapers. At the age of 74 years, he is still penning his journalistic skills by writing for various leading newspapers. Lekha hopes to see more books and articles to flow from his pen.

---Interviewed by JV Chandrababu

---Compiled by Mantri Narasimha Rao

Open Forum

It is very important to come to a common platform

Respected elders, brothers, sisters, youth, and leaders of the Sistakaranam community associations,

With heartfelt gratitude, I wish to place before you an important message concerning the long-standing struggle for the betterment of our community.

For many years, our leaders and relatives have tirelessly worked at various levels to secure the inclusion of our Sistakaranam community in the Other Backward Classes (OBC) category. The progress achieved so far is because of this collective commitment. The journey began soon after 2009, when our community was placed within the BC category, and since then, persistent efforts have continued to achieve recognition under OBC. In 2015, at Vijayawada, a major representation was submitted to the BC Commission. Following this, in July 2018, a delegation of community elders including Sri K.M.V.S. Nageswara Rao, Sri Y.N.K. Mahanti, Sri N. Gajapati Rao, myself (Arikatota Chandramouli), Jayiti Umamaheshwara Rao, Sri Sekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, Sri Jakkuva Vijay, H.M. Patro, Manapuram Gourishankar Rao, and others personally met the then NCBC Chairperson Justice Rohini in New Delhi. We presented our case, and Justice Rohini promptly wrote to the Government recommending consideration. A copy of this recommendation was also dispatched to our representatives.

Another significant step came on 9th August 2019, when the then NCBC Chairman Sri Sinha, along with members Dr. Sudha Yadav, Dr. Kushlendra Kumar Patil, and Sri Talloju Achari, heard our representation at the NCBC office in Delhi. In the presence of NCBC Secretary Ajay Kumar, our delegation led by Sri S.N.K. Mahanti along with Sri Mantri Rajasekhar, Sri KMVS Nageswara Rao, Sri N. Gajapati Rao, Sri Arikathota Chandramouli (myself), BVN Patro, Sri K. Govinda Rao, Sri Sekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, Sri Jakkuva Vijay, Sri Manapuram Gaurishankar and others, again detailed the backwardness of our community in clear terms. These repeated efforts greatly strengthened the case for our official entry into the OBC list.

However, it is important to emphasize that our community must remain united, above criticism and political differences. Only through solidarity of a single voice and a single path can we ensure success. OBC recognition will not only give us reservation benefits but will also bring broader social trust in our community leaders and associations.

In 2023, our OBC movement received renewed momentum. Setting aside differences, delegations traveled multiple times to Delhi and Vijayawada. When asked for the latest recommendation letter from the state government, we immediately went to Vijayawada, obtained the letter from the state government, and provided six copies to NCBC. Under the leadership of Chairperson Smt. Kanthimahanti Anusha Patnaik (Sistakaranam Corporation) and senior leaders such as S.N.K. Mahanti, Polu Mahanti Umamaheshwar Rao, K. Venkateswara Benarjee, myself (Arikatota Chandramouli), Smt. Kurada Pavani, Sri Dabir Vasu, Vantaram Chandramouli, the late Donkada Anil Kumar, Shekhar Minister Srinivasa Rao, Baggam Srinivasa Rao, Manapuram Bhaskar Rao, Vappangi Nagendra, Jayiti Shashidhar, Manapuram Suresh Kumar and many others, our community argued its case during the public hearing on 13th September 2023 at New Delhi. In the presence of NCBC Chairman Hansraj Gangaram Ahir, Union Minister Kinjarapu Rammohan Naidu, MP G.V.L. Narasimha Rao, MP Bellana Chandrasekhar, and senior IAS officers, a detailed presentation was made to prove the socio-economic and educational backwardness of the Sistakaranam community. Following these hearings, NCBC recommended five castes from Andhra Pradesh for OBC inclusion, forwarding the file to the Union Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. From there, the file moved to the Legal Cell, a strong indication that recognition was close. Unfortunately, the Central Government placed an interim halt, delaying final notification.

At this juncture, I humbly urge every Sistakaranam brother and sister to remain calm and thoughtful. Let us not be distracted by divisions or petty disputes. Our children's golden future depends on unity. Let us not fall into traps of blame or factional politics. It is unfortunate that, despite our community's active presence across all political parties, a Sistakaranam Corporation has still not been constituted.

Considering all these circumstances, it is very important to come to a common platform. Let us think calmly, act wisely.

With respect and sincerity,

- Yours,

Arikatota Chandramouli

Open your eyes.. Awaken your vision..

Respected Relatives,

*Open your eyes;
Awaken your vision!*

*The coalition government continues to announce nominated posts.
Our people are waiting with hope, yet falling into despair with disappointment.....*

*Why? What is the reason?
Because there is no unity.
If there was unity,
our voice, our strength,
would surely be heard.....*

*But how is it now?
One for each tree,
One for each street,
One for each house—
All divided into different directions!*

*That is why we need solidarity.
We must build unity.
Our journey must move on a single path.
Our decisions must rest on one word.
That must be our goal.
That must lead us to our destination!*

*This is the signal for another wave of progress,
The foundation stone for a golden future!*

*Let the rulers fear,
Let them show commitment.
That is why we must unite,
For the pride of our community,
This will be the gift we pass on to the next generation!*

*So let us awaken,
Let us rouse everyone around us,
Let us cast aside divisions,
and let us all fight together!*

— Behara Nagabhushanarao

Open Forum

The glory of Srikakulam

On the auspicious occasion of India's Independence Day, Srikakulam District proudly completes 75 glorious years since its formation, marking a grand Vajrotsavam (Diamond Jubilee).

Once part of the ancient Kalinga region, this land was called Chicacole during the British era and later renamed Srikakulam. Situated in the northeastern corner of Andhra Pradesh, the district stands distinguished with a rich cultural, spiritual, and historical legacy.

It is home to divine shrines like Arasavalli, abode of the Sun God; Srikurmam, the holy seat of Lord Kurmanatha; and Srimukhalingam, hailed as the southern Kashi. Blessed by rivers such as Nagavali, Vamsadhara, Mahendranayana, and Bahuda, the fertile land thrives with agriculture.

Historic sites like Salihundam and Dantapuri, the bird sanctuary at Telineelapuram, and the scenic Mahaendragiri Hills enhance its tourism charm. Its long coastline, the lighthouse at Kalingapatnam, and the lush greenery of Uddanam reflect its natural beauty.

World-renowned for Palasa cashews, Budithi brassware, and Ponduru khadi, Srikakulam also nurtured eminent litterateurs such as Gidugu Ramamurthy Pantulu, Garimella Satyanarayana, Balivada Kantha Rao, K.R. and Ra Vi Sastry.

It gave the nation stalwart theatre artists like Chatti Purnayya Pantulu, Amarao, Yedla Gopalam, and Marrivalasa Master.

Silver screen icons like Raavi Kondala Rao, Somayajulu, J.V. Ramana Murthy, Sarath Babu and G. Anand, art and musical legends like Vaddadi Papayya, Sreepada Pinakapani, and sporting champions like Kodi Ramamurthy, Karnam Malleswari, and Pujari Shailaja.

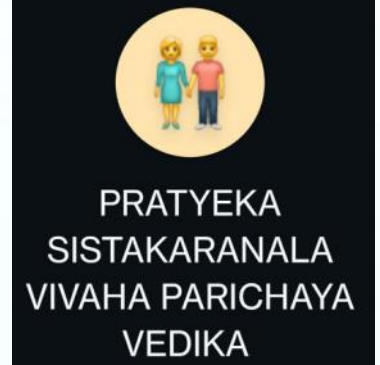
As we celebrate this Diamond Jubilee, heartfelt tributes to all the illustrious personalities who placed Srikakulam on the national and global map.

*Written by: Raghupatruni Venkata Ramanamurthy,
Retired Teacher & Chief Secretary, Terave, Srikakulam*



Pratyeka Sistakaranala Vivaha Parichaya Vedika

A special matrimonial WhatsApp group has been launched exclusively for marriage alliances of boys and girls belonging to the middle class, lower middle class, and poor families.



1) There is no fee required either to join this group or to post details.

2) Profiles of highly educated individuals or those with high-profile jobs should generally not be posted here.

3) This group is mainly for those with small jobs, farmers, agricultural laborers, petty traders, or others from modest backgrounds seeking alliances.

4) Only the phone numbers of parents or guardians should be given. For those without smartphones or WhatsApp, details can be posted through close relatives, but the number must belong to the parent/guardian.

5) In most matrimonial WhatsApp groups, details of only rich or elite families are shared, as organizers hope to earn more money by promoting such alliances. This has made it increasingly difficult for poor and middle-class families to find suitable matches. Many parents expressed this concern, which led to the creation of this group.

6) Hence, poor, middleclass families from rural areas, farmers, small traders, workers, or those whose children discontinued studies are strongly encouraged to join and post details here. Members can directly connect and finalize marriages.

7) The link to join is given below. Before clicking the link, please send a message to my WhatsApp number 9247783307 with your full name, surname, and city and tell me what your children are doing. Only then will you be added as a member. After joining the group, post your children's details in the group yourself. Also, see the details of those who have already been added to the group. If you like, make connections. Do not forward the details of the children in this group to any other group.

8) Only those willing to follow the rules may join.

May marriages take place soon for all.

[Join Link](#)

- Sadashivuni Lakshmana Rao

Support Arena

Dr.Arikathota Kanakaraju Donations - Aug -25

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated at Balaga Municipal School, where Dr. Kanakaraju attended as chief guest and contributed ₹10,000 for school development. He highlighted the district's formation history and the role of freedom fighters in the independence movement. Principal U. Ramanadha Rao spoke about the sacrifices of national leaders. Certificates of appreciation were awarded to M. Kusuma, A. Poojitha, and G. Dhanushya for excellence in Class X. Nine students excelling in Social Studies received Rs. 1,000 each from teacher Jagadish.



In a separate gesture, Dr. Kanakaraju donated ₹5,000 to the Shiva-Balaji Temple, Srikakulam, for Maha Kumbh Mela rituals including *homam*, *abhishekam*, and *Sahasra Kalashabhishekam*. Temple treasurer Sharma received the donation. The temple is notable for housing both Balaji and Shiva shrines within the same campus.



Relocating to an Old Age Home

Due to family disputes, lack of support from daughters, and suffering from paralysis, Chowdary Durga Prasad was forced to beg for survival. Learning about his condition while he was living as a destitute near Rajam bus stand, K. Ashok Kumar decided to shift him to Visakhapatnam and provide shelter. District Red Cross Chairman Jagannathan Rao also considered extending help through Red Cross. On the suggestion of the CI, that it would be better to move him to his friend's old age home, they arranged accordingly demonstrating their spirit of humanity.

Mother Teresa Seva Sangham Felicitation for Meritorious Students of Class 10

On the occasion of the 8th Annual Celebrations of Mother Teresa Seva Sangham & Blood Donors Club, a felicitation program was held at Mother Teresa Kids School, Ayyannapeta Junction, Vizianagaram. As part of the event, 15 Class X toppers from government and private schools in Vizianagaram town for the academic year 2024-25 were honored with ₹500 cash awards, shawls, mementos, biographies of eminent personalities, and flower bouquets under the leadership of the Society's Founder & President, Tyada Prasad Patnaik. Chief Guest, Retired Parishad Educational Officer Murahari Visweshwar Rao, encouraged the students to pursue higher education with dedication, aim for excellence, and contribute to society while achieving their goals. Guests were also felicitated by the organization. The event was attended by Nellimarla Deputy Tahsildar (Elections) V.V.R. Jagannatha Rao, Honorary President Tyada Venugopalam, and members Shravani, Sirisha, Keerthana, Tanish, Baggam Jogarao, among others.



Memunnam Seva Samstha Monetary Help

Helping Hand to a Needy Family by "Memunnam Seva Samstha"

Memunna Seva Samstha, under the leadership of Founder and Chairman Srinivas Veena, extended timely support to a poor family in Balliparru Colony, Pedana, Krishna District. After the demise of handloom worker Vutukuri Nagendram (58) due to illness, local women sought help for his funeral expenses. Responding immediately, the organization provided ₹3,000 financial aid to the bereaved family. The women of the colony expressed that in times of distress, approaching the organization ensures prompt assistance. Their blessings and encouragement stand as true inspiration for the service activities of the Samstha.



Appeal from Komarada Mandal Sistakaranam Welfare Association

Doctors have advised that Naresh, husband of late Kambavalasa Mallibabu's daughter Divya of Rajyalaxmipuram, Komarada Mandal, requires a heart operation. As the family lacks financial means, they sought help from our Association. Those willing to contribute may extend support via PhonePe or cash to the Treasurer at 9492520242.

— K. S. P. Patnaik, President, and Executive Members

Komarada Mandal, Parvathipuram Manyam District.

Srikakulam Mathrubhumi helps Cancer Victim

Srikakulam Mathrubhumi family member Potnuru Pratap and Shiva Sangam State Secretary I Gopala Rao visited and provided financial assistance to a person from the Srikakulam area who was suffering from cancer and was undergoing treatment at the Aganampudi Homi Baba Cancer Hospital.



Support Arena

Helping Hands, Manavaalla ku Mana Sahayam group, and Komarada Sistakaranam Sangam joint Emergency relief program

In a heartfelt gesture of community support, Sista Helping Hands Society extended financial assistance to Mr. Nandigam Naresh Kumar (39), a resident of Rajyalakshmpuram, Komarada Mandal, Parvathipuram Manyam District. Naresh Kumar, son-in-law of the late Kambavalasa Malli Babu, works as a contract employee with APSRTC. Recently, he suffered a sudden heart stroke, and doctors advised an urgent stent procedure. He was admitted to Indus Hospital, Visakhapatnam, where the operation was successfully performed on July 29, 2025.

Moved by the family's difficult financial situation, Sri Polaki Apparao of Komarada appealed to Shishta Helping Hands Society to provide emergency medical aid. Following this, society members reached out to Mrs. Divya, wife of Naresh, to understand his health condition. Mrs. Lakshmi Baliyavada from Cheepurupalli interacted with Divya

over phone, while Mr. Pedapenki Harikrishna from Balijipeta personally visited the family to verify the need.

Upon confirmation, the Society sanctioned ₹25,300/- from its monthly emergency medical relief fund. On Sunday, August 17, 2025, coordinators Mr. Pakki Uma Maheswara Rao (Visakhapatnam), Mrs. Lakshmi Baliyavada (Cheepurupalli), and Mr. Pedapenki Harikrishna (Bobbili) personally traveled to Naresh Kumar's residence at their own expense to hand over Cheque No. 022975/17.08.2025. The assistance was given in the presence of respected local leaders: Sri Behara Gumpu Swamy (President, Parvathipuram), Sri Polaki Apparao (Ex-Vice President), Sri Belagam Jayaprakash Narayan (State Secretary, Sistakaranam & OBC Convener), Sri Pakki Ravindra Patnaik (Teacher, Admin of 'Manavallaku



Mana Sahayam' group), Sri K.S.B. Patnaik (Retired RTC Conductor & Komarada Mandal President), and Sri Behara Ramesh Patrudu (Joint Secretary, Parvathipuram).

Along with the Sista Helping Hands cheque, the family also received ₹10,000/- in cash from the "Manavallaku Mana Sahayam" group, ₹10,800/- from the Komarada Sistakaranam Association, and ₹2,000/- from retired RTC staff under the leadership of K.S.B. Patnaik.

Medical assistance from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund

Recently, Sri Pakki Venkataramana Rao from Malakapuram AKC, Visakhapatnam city, who has been suffering from ill health and has joined the hospital, facing severe financial difficulties, was provided a cheque of 25 thousand rupees from the Chief Minister's Relief Fund in the presence of his family members, as per the direction of the West Constituency MLA and Government Whip Sri P. Ganababu, with the efforts of the State Executive Telugu Desam Party Sadhikara Committee Convener Sri Akkamahanti Raja and West Constituency Convener Smt. C.M. Kavitha. In this program, the Telugu Desam Party's Sistakarana Sadhikara Samiti state member Sri Basangi Tirupati Rao, Parliament committee members Sri Nagumantri Venkateshwara Rao Patnaik, Sri Manipatruni Satyanarayana and others participated.



Free distribution of 1000 clay Ganesha idols and 3000 Vinayaka Vrata Katha books

Hiramandalam: With the aim of promoting eco-friendly practices, special invitee Tulugu Tirupati Rao Master appealed to worship only clay Ganesha idols. At Chinna Korada Junction, under the leadership of Mandal Telugu Yuvatha President Nandigam Sai Krishna Patnaik, a program was organized to distribute 1,000 clay Ganesha idols and 3,000 Vinayaka Vrata storybooks, which he formally inaugurated. Speaking on the occasion, Tirupati Rao stressed that everyone should adopt clay idols to protect the environment, expressing concern that idols made with plaster of Paris chemicals cause severe water pollution. He congratulated Sai Krishna Patnaik for making these arrangements four days ahead of Vinayaka Chavithi. TDP Mandal President Darapu Dhilleswara Rao, Town President Dr. Pothuraj Sridhar, TDP leaders Lade Srikrishna, Sahu-kari Govinda, G Kameswara Rao, Mandal TDP Convener V. Sai Kumar, MPTC Tatla Shankara Rao, former ward members Vaddi Simhachalam, Tatla Mohan Rao, Yandava Chinna, and others participated in the program.



Support Arena

Charity by Alumni



The alumni of SVU College of Engineering, Tirupati, have showcased their generosity. Those settled at various places in India and abroad have contributed ₹25 crore for the college's development. With ₹7 crore, a new girls' hostel building featuring 28 rooms, dining and recreation halls has been constructed and is being inaugurated. Future plans include completion of

the building complex with 130 rooms with all modern facilities to accommodate over 520 students.

Alumnus Eluri Nagesh Kumar of Hyderabad, Vice-President of the Alumni Association, was specially felicitated for his key role in mobilizing funds.



Free distribution of 200 clay Ganesha idols

On 24th August 2025, in Vizianagaram town at Ayannapeta Junction, Mother Teresa Seva Sangham & Blood Donors Club and Mother Teresa Kids School jointly organized an eco-friendly program as part of their annual environmental protection initiative. Highlighting that plaster of Paris idols cause global pollution, they distributed 200 clay Ganesha idols free of cost to association members, school parents, and local residents. The event was led by Tyada Prasad Patnaik, President of the association and Principal of the school. Honorary President Tyada Venugopalam, along with members Sandhyarani, Shravanthi, Keerthana, Kolli Satyam, and others, participated.



Idols distribution and Saplings planting by Aamdalavalasa Association

As part of environmental protection, the President of the Aamdalavalasa Sistakaranam Sangam, Sri B. V. S. N. Murthy, General Secretary and executive members participated in the program of distributing clay Ganesha idols and planting saplings.



A Grateful Note from K. Rajeshwara Rao

Greetings to all. My name is Krishna Pathruni Rajeshwara Rao, a resident of Simhachalam, Visakhapatnam. On 3rd October 2019, while on my way to duty near Baji Junction, I met with a tragic accident when an RTC bus collided with me. From that day until today—nearly five to six years—I have been confined to bed without any means of livelihood or support.

This situation pushed my family into severe financial hardship. During this time, the Andhra Pradesh Sistakaranama State President, Sri Akkamahanti Raja Garu, and the State Secretary, Smt. Chakradhar Mahanti Kavitha Garu, kindly came forward to support me. They personally applied for my Sadaram Disability Certificate and consistently followed up until I received it. Despite my earlier applications during the previous government, the certificate had not been sanctioned. But under the present government, through the tireless efforts of Smt. Kavitha Garu, the certificate has now been issued.

Further, Sri Akkamahanti Raja Garu, along with State Executive Members, met MLA Ganababu Garu, explained my situation, and even visited my home to hand over the Sadaram certificate. He assured me that efforts will be made to secure a monthly pension of ₹15,000 for my survival and family support.

For this extraordinary compassion and assistance, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to Sri Akkamahanti Raja Garu, Smt. Kavitha Garu, and all members of the State Sistakaranam Welfare Association.

- K. Rajeshwara Rao

Phomne no.: 8639088365



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AP Sistakaranam Sangham State Executive Committee Meeting

Visakhapatnam, On the occasion of Friendship Day, August 3, 2025 the AP Sistakaranam State Executive Committee Members gathered at the residence of Sri Y N K Mahanti in Ramnagar, Visakhapatnam.



The meeting discussed several important issues, including strengthening the association, promoting unity, initiatives for OBC recognition, and the necessity of community solidarity. The newly elected office-bearers of the Gajuwaka Branch—General Secretary Sri Dabbiru Harikumar, Sri Kanthi-

mahanti Ram Kumar, and Sri Mantri Satyarao—were present. State Honorary President Sri Y N K Mahanti, State President Sri Arikatota Chandramouli, State Women's President Smt. Dabbiru Prasanthi, and executive members including Sri Shekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, Sri Jayiti Umamaheswara Rao, Sri Kallepalli Shankara Rao, Sri Y Narasimhulu, Sri Baggam Srinivasa Rao, Smt. Shivvam Jyothi Patnaik, along with Visakhapatnam District Secretary Sri Mantri Narasimha Murthy and Treasurer Sri Haranath, also took part. The meeting concluded with all members joining for a Friendship Day luncheon.

Request to Vizag West MLA for Sistakaranam Community Hall site

For several decades, the Sistakaranam community has been largely settled in Visakhapatnam district. Seeking recognition and prominence, the Andhra Pradesh



State Sistakaranam Association (Regd. No. 63/79) President and TDP State Sistakaranam Empowerment Committee Convener, Sri Akku Mahanti Raja, along with his executive committee, submitted a representation to Hon'ble West Constituency MLA Sri Ganababu, requesting government support through allocation of land and assistance for the construction of a Sistakaranam Community Hall.

Seethammadhara Association Vivaha Parichaya Vedika successful

The Seethammadhara Sistakaranam Association organized a vibrant marriage introduction meet on Sunday August 10th 2025 in Visakhapatnam in a festive atmosphere.

At 10:00 a.m., Chief guest Sri Allena Ramesh Kumar, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, GST, lit the ceremonial lamp along with office bearers. The program began with devotional songs rendered by noted Sis-



takararam singer and Cultural Secretary Sri Kottakki Ramesh Kumar. At 11:00 a.m., the formal introduction of prospective brides and grooms commenced under the chairmanship of Sri Godaba Gauri Prabhakar Das, continuing until 3:00 p.m. The hall bustled with activity throughout the day as parents arrived not only from various districts of Andhra Pradesh but also from Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Jaipur, Berhampur, Rayagada, and other regions.

Around 450 participants attended. Details of 180 prospective matches received through emails were compiled into a colorful booklet and distributed free of cost to all parents. Information of about 80 more candidates received during the event will soon be released in PDF format.

A community lunch hosted by Sri Allen Ramesh Kumar delighted everyone. The Lekha Team also attended and praised the disciplined and graceful organization of the event.

The association's services were widely appreciated. Relatives unable to attend may collect details by contacting Sri Sadasivuni Srinivasa Rao (94404 32817) at the MedPlus shop opposite Seethammadhara Venkateswara Swamy Temple.

*Kottipam Ramashankara Rao,
General Secretary,
Seethammadhara Sistakaranam Association*

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Vishwa Bharat Veera Puraskar Awards Presentation Ceremony

On the occasion of Independence Day on 15-8-2025, during the main event of the 100th Vishwabharat Veera Puraskar Awards held in MVP Colony, Visakhapatnam, these awards were presented by the film actress Sri Jayalalithaa and the esteemed Sri Ghazal Srinivas. Congratulations to our distinguished poets Sri Vada-Chandrasekhara Rao and Sri Patnaikuni Ramakrishna Rao (Ramathat) for receiving these awards.



President of District Hotels Association elected

On 11-8-2025, a grand oath-taking ceremony for the new executive committee of the Vizianagaram District Hotels Association was held at the Utukuri Grand Hotel in Vizianagaram town. The chief guest was Honorable MLA Smt. Pooapati Aditi Vijayalakshmi Gajapathi Raju.

Sri P. S. N. Rao (Vasu Srinivas Patnaik), the owner of Daddy Mess, was elected as the president of the Vizianagaram District Hotels Association and took his oath. Congratulations to him.



Community representatives honor Umakavi

In Srikakulam district, the headmaster of the primary school in Aadavaram, Bogela Uma Maheshwara Rao, who has retired, received congratulatory wishes at his home from the president of the Visakhapatnam district Sistakaranam Committee, M.P. Gaurishwara Rao, secretary Rega Suresh, treasurer Balivada Ramana, and G. Jagannath Rao.



Election of the President of the Palakonda Sistakaranam Welfare Association



Sri Bhasuru Sridhar has been unanimously elected as the new president of

the Palakonda Town Welfare Association in the presence of the town's members. During this event, Sridhar pledged to advance the association's welfare efforts with everyone's assistance and cooperation, and promised to work tirelessly for the empowerment of the OBC community.

Film Music Concert Lamp lighting



was inaugurated by arts field luminaries including Sun Murthy.

In a joint management by Melody Creators, Kalanjali, and Saregama, a program was held at the Visakhapatnam local public library to celebrate the birth anniversary of Padma Bhushan Dr. SP Balasubrahmanyam, which was adorned by a film music concert. The event

Sri Hemasunder as NTR District OBC Secretary

It is a great joy and commendable that Mr. Hemasunder, the Executive Secretary of the AP Sistakaranam Association, has been appointed as the Secretary of the Backward Classes (BC) and Other Backward Classes (OBC) of the NTR district employees' association.



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Free Cancer & Kidney Dialysis Hospital Bhoomi Pooja

On 14th August 2025, a historic and unique event took place at Sai Palle village, S. Kota Mandal, Vizianagaram district, where the foundation stone was laid for a one-of-its-kind hospital in India. This hospital, built with the generous support of donors contributing nearly ₹180 crores, will offer free cancer treatment, free dialysis for kidney patients, and operate with no billing system—a true symbol of service to humanity.

The groundbreaking ceremony was led by Sri Sathya Sai Divya Mrutham Kumar Sai, with distinguished participation from Visakhapatnam MP Sri Bharat, S. Kota MLA Smt. Lalita Kumari, MLC Gade Srinivasulu Naidu, former Vice-Chancellor of Adikavi Nannaya University Prof. Murru Muthyala Naidu, spiritual preacher Sri Ramakrishnananda, donors, devotees, social leaders, and a large gathering of women, making it a grand occasion.



The project aims to serve not only the two Telugu states but also extend its services to several northern states of India. The plan is to complete the first phase of construction within 100 days and inaugurate the hospital on Sathya Sai Jayanti. MP Bharat assured complete support for the initiative. Inspiring speeches by Prof. Muthyala Naidu and Sri Sathya Sai Swamiji captivated the audience.

Located near Boddavara Junction and Tatipudi Reservoir, this free cancer and dialysis hospital is hailed as a great blessing for Uttarandhra. Many social leaders, including Arc Prasad (Chodavaram), Dr. Khaseem (Kotapadu Ayyanna Institutions), Raj Kumar (Madugula), and representatives from Samarasata Foundation, Anakapalli, attended and expressed gratitude, calling participation in this event a true fortune of life.

— ARK Prasad

Felicitation by Sistakaranam

association representatives

During his visit to Gajuwaka, Sri Akkumahanti Raja, President of the State Sistakaranam Association, was warmly felicitated and congratulated by the Sistakaranam representatives from Lan-



kelapalem and Aganampudi — Sri Jayati Gopi, Sri Mantri Trinadh, Sri Kantimahanti Venkata Satyanarayana, and Sri Tyada Ramesh (Lakshmana Rao). The program was also attended by Sri Manapuram Gouri Shankar, General Secretary of the State Association; Sri Balivada Satya Rao, State Vice President; along with State Executive Committee representatives Sri Nagumantri Venkateswara Rao, Sri Karakavalasa Gouri Prasada Rao, Sri Basangi Tirupati Rao, Sri Pratap Rao Srinivasa Rao, Sri Manipatruni Satyanarayana, and Sri Dadirao Varaprasad.

Meritorious students awards, Vivaha Parichaya Vedika conducted by Garividi Sistakarana Sangham

The Sistakaranam Association organized a special event at its building in Garividi at 5 p.m. on Aug 3rd 2025, where students from Garividi, Gurla, and Merakamudidam mandals who excelled in Class X and Intermediate examinations were honored with merit awards, cash prizes, and certificates of appreciation. The program also featured the district association's marriage introduction platform.

District President M P Gaurishwara Rao and Secretary Rega Suresh, who attended as Chief guests, emphasized unity among all members of the community. They appealed parents to change their mindset regarding marriages, stressing that choosing boys and girls with good character is more important than merely insisting on secure jobs. They expressed concern that such rigid expectations often delay marriages within the community and urged a more practical approach.

The event was attended by State Vice President Sudhakar Patnaik, Garividi Honorary President Vandrangi Venkatesh, President Raghupatruni Srinivasa Rao, Secretary Kottu Ramakrishna, District Vice President L. Prabhat Kumar, Cheepurupalli Vice President R. Srinivasa Rao, Pratap Rao Krishna, Donkada Shiva Dayal, and many community members.

Appeal to Sistakaranam relatives: Register in Zero Poverty-P4

Visakhapatnam, On the occasion of Friendship Day, August 3, 2025 the AP Sistakaranam State Executive Committee Members gathered at the residence of Sri Y N K Mahanti in Ramnagar, Visakhapatnam. The meeting discussed several important issues, including strengthening the association, promoting unity, initiatives for OBC recognition, and the necessity of community solidarity. The newly elected office-bearers of the Gajuwaka Branch—General Secretary Sri Dabburu Harikumar, Sri Kanthimahanti Ram Kumar, and Sri Mantri Satyarao—were present. State Honorary President Sri Y N K Mahanti, State President Sri Arikatota Chandramouli, State Women's President Smt. Dabburu Prasanthi, and executive members including Sri Shekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, Sri Jayiti Umamaheswara Rao, Sri Kallepalli Shankara Rao, Sri Y Narasimhulu, Sri Baggam Srinivasa Rao, Smt. Shivvam Jyothi Patnaik, along with Visakhapatnam District Secretary Sri Mantri Narasimha Murthy and Treasurer Sri Haranath, also took part. The meeting concluded with all members joining for a Friendship Day luncheon.



Telangana

The Institution of Engineers (India) felicitates ISRO Chairman

The Institution of Engineers (India), Telangana State Centre, had the distinct honor of hosting Dr. V Narayanan, Chairman, ISRO & Secretary, Department of Space, Government of India, on his visit today along with Dr Prakash Chauhan, distinguished Scientist and Director- NRSC, ISRO and Dr Seshagiri Rao, distinguished Scientist (Retd) and Associate Director SDSC- ISRO.

Dr. Narayanan, an illustrious alumnus of IEI, addressed the gathering of professionals, members, and budding engineers with inspiring insights from his vast experience in the field of space science and technology. His thought provoking lecture highlighted the role of innovation, research, and engineering excellence in advancing India's space missions and contributing to national development.

The session was highly motivating for young engineers, offering them a glimpse into the challenges and opportunities in space exploration and the importance of professional commitment. On this occasion, the Telangana State Centre of IEI felicitated Dr. Narayanan with a shawl and floral bouquets as a token of respect and appreciation for his outstanding contributions to science, technology, and the nation.



Fraternity Page - Odisha

Dr Bhima Rao felicitated by CSIR-IIMT

Dr. Raghupatruni Bhima Rao, former CSIR Chief Scientist received a memento from Dr AK Chaubey, Chief Scientist Advanced Materials Technology Department, CSIR- Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology, Bhubaneswar, at his office under the Common Research and Technology Development Hub.



Fraternity Page - Chhattisgarh

Vande Viswabharat Veera Puraskar award to Dr B Ramesh

Dr B Ramesh conferred with 'Vande Viswabharat Veer Puraskar Samman' at Visakhapatnam on 15th Aug 25.

At a glittering function filled with patriotic spirit, the Vishwabhaviswat Trust has ceremoniously honoured Kargil and China war heroes, eminent scholars, Doctors, Social workers and freedom fighters in recognition of their meritorious and outstanding self-less service to the nation.

Dr Ramesh Balivada, chairman of the Trust, learned Gazal Srinivas Rao, War Heroes of Pakistan and China War, Freedom fighters, Veteran Tollywood Cine Actress, Politicians, from all over India were present. The elite of Visakhapatnam, NCC cadets of college, teachers and professors of colleges glorified the show with their presence.

Dr B Ramesh, Commissioner Scout of Raipur has been conferred with Vande Viswabhaviswat Veer Puraskar Samman 2025 amidst thundering cheers by Dr Gazal Srinivas Rao who graced the function as Guest of Honour in recognition of his exceptional and meritorious and outstanding selfless service through different fields to the nation. He is also recipient of four President of India Medals and many State and National honours in the past. This has added another feather to his cap.



Fraternity Page - Karnataka

Head - ISI Bangalore is Sri BSD Sagar

UIDAI Signs 5-Year Cutting- Edge R&D Agreement with Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) to boost Aadhaar Robustness, Security & Reliability. Further through Data-Driven Innovations, Collaborations to cover areas such as improvements in biometric liveness detection tools, matching algorithms and other priority areas. It is proud to announce Dr B S Daya Sagar (Behara Seshadri Daya Sagar) Head - ISI Bangalore is our Sistakaranam.



Fraternity Page - West Bengal

Kharagpur Sistakaranam family members get-together

A special gathering was organized in honor of Sri Vadada Umamaheshwar Rao and Smt. Vadada Nirmala of the Kharagpur Sistakaranam family, on the occasion of their relocation from Kharagpur to Visakhapatnam.

The "Atmiya Kalayika" (friendly get-together) was graced by Sri Mandakuriti Murali and Smt. Kamala, Sri Dasamantarao Kamaleshwar Satumahanti and Smt. Anuradha, Sri Kantimahanti Sairam and Smt. Padmaja, Smt. Kantimahanti Navaneetha Patnaik, Sri Kantimahanti Nishant Patnaik, and Sri Uriti Prasanna Kumar. The program concluded grandly with a delightful dinner at a local hotel.



Kalam Snehitulu



Sistakaranams in Literary Service

1) Terave Poetry Meet celebrated in a grand manner. Srikakulam: The Telugu Rachayatala Vedika (Terave) conducted its 107th monthly literary gathering at Shantiniketan College in the city under the guidance of President Uttaravalli Nageswara Rao and Secretary Raghupatruni Venkata Ramanamurthy. Fourteen poets participated, presenting poems centered on Friendship Day. Terave poets Bhogela Umamaheswara Rao and S. Umamaheswara Rao were among those who participated.



2) In memory of the late Botsa Appalaswamy (Marrivalasa Master), the Srikakulam Rangasthala Kalaakaarula Samakhya organized drama competitions. Noted writer and actor Kimmy Santosh Kumar from the Tera-

ve Cultural Wing won second prize. He received congratulations from hon'ble forum representatives Surangi Mohan Rao, Balivada Malleswara Rao, and President Uttaravalli Nageswara Rao. Secretary Raghupatruni Venkata Ramanamurthy and other members.

3) The poem "Balikalu – Pragati Padham" (Girls – Path of Progress), written by to our esteemed poet Sri Ravipalli Vasudevarao, who is working as a teacher at Tippalavala ZP High School in Vizianagaram dis-



trict, is well written. Congratulations.

4) August 2025: The poetry symposium organized by Sahrudaya Sahiti, Vishakhapatnam greatly entertained the listeners at Prism Degree College in Rajendranagar. Presiding over the event, Sekharamantri Prabhakar said that the poet arises in the hearts of the people, spreads the revolutionary spirit in the lap of nature, and is the emotional power that blossoms in the hearts of the public. He said that poetry should be written for the people. Guest of Honour Dr. D.V. Suryarao, a Sahiti Ratnakara, offered valuable insights on poetic styles.



Chitra Kavitalu – August 2025



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 February 2025.

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



Entrepreneurs Frontier

“Mandate & Beyond”- a Real Estate Solutions Company



Mr. Biswajit Patnaik is the Managing Director of “Mandate & Beyond”- a real estate solutions company based out of Hyderabad, which provides “end to end real estate solutions”, and specializes in retail and hospitality. The company is promoted by alumni of IIMA (Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad) and experienced professionals from international property consultants - JLL. They have been in the business for only the last twelve years but their credibility in the industry is outstanding for the value they bring to the table in all their transactions. They have had the opportunity to work both with leading Indian corporate and International firms. They have renowned clientele.

He is son of Smt. Anuradha & Late Sri Nityanand Patnaik from Bhubaneswar.



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Hello everyone!

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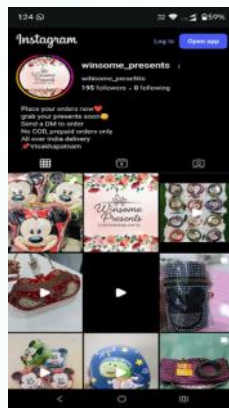
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Shine Dental and Implant Center started in Srikakulam

The inauguration of the new Shine Dental and Implant Center near Hotel Amrita, next to the RTC Complex In Gate, Main Road, Narasannapeta, is scheduled on August 10, 2025, by our esteemed doctor and dentist from Narasannapeta, Srimati Dr. Manipatruni Vijayalakshmi (wife of Sri Balivada Venkata Naresh). Congratulations and best wishes to her.



Ankitha Aravindan – Versatile Entrepreneur & Epitome of Woman Empowerment

In just 4 years Miss Ankitha Aravindan Dabiru single handedly succeeded in establishing with roaring success, the 4 huge ventures in Bangalore, with a vision of not just business but to empower people especially women.

People always assume there is a man behind the success of the woman! In this male dominated world, it is not easy to run a restaurant business but Backstreet Brewery is a brewery with a multicuisine restaurant. Her ventures started with huge Brewery, then Dosa & Dosa, then a gym, and the lastly a hotel.

1. Empowering the Marginalised through Employment Creation

Driven by a mission to generate sustainable livelihoods for the weaker sections and marginalised communities, she conceptualised and established a landmark Restaurant-cum-Resto Bar. Built a 70,000 sq. ft., three-storey superstructure to house the enterprise. Created employment for around 90 young individuals, with all statutory and social security benefits ensured.

2. Recognition for Excellence

In acknowledgment of her leadership, innovation, and community impact, she was elected “Young Woman Entrepreneur of the Year – 2025” at a prestigious event in Bangalore.

3. Expanding Culinary Horizons

Capitalising on her initial success, she launched a South Indian-style vegetarian restaurant ‘Dosa n Dosa’ in Bangalore, further strengthening her brand presence and cultural culinary identity.

4. Safe and Premium Accommodation for Women Profes-

sionals

Understanding the needs of single women working in Bangalore’s IT corridors, she developed 16 fully furnished double-bedroom units with star hotel ambience, offering comfort, security, and dignity to women professionals and named it as ‘Atrium’.

Through her ventures, Ankitha has demonstrated that entrepreneurship can be a force for inclusive growth. Her initiatives have:

- Empowered youth through meaningful employment.
- Promoted South Indian cuisine and culture.
- Addressed safe housing needs for women professionals.
- Created sustainable economic opportunities for marginalised communities.
- Her journey is a testament to how vision, determination, and social responsibility can come together to create lasting change.

Background & Education: A proud alumna of the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai with Masters in Humanity & Social Sciences. She is daughter of Smt. Jayanti Dabiru & Sri Aravindan from Chennai.

Lekha wishes her success in all her ventures!



Talent Corner

Sistakaranam Chess Champion



Praneetha Kuppili was born in Hyderabad, Telangana State to Dr Chandini Patnaik and Shanker Rao Patnaik. She has been playing Chess since 2002. She is an International FIDE Rated player and has a standard FIDE rating of 1454. She has played in many National and International tournaments. She has written sixteen books on chess under the Pen Name: Praneetha Patnaik. In India she has won in several tournaments. She represented the then Andhra Pradesh and the current Telangana State in 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012. Some of

her notable wins in India are:

- Being a consecutive winner for three years from 2014 to 2017 in Osmania University Inter College Sports & Games Championship.
- She has represented Osmania University in All India South Zone Universities Sports & Games Championship.
- She has won fifth place representing Telangana State in the 58th National School Games Chess Girls Under 19 years category in 2012-2013.
- She won third place representing Andhra Pradesh State in School Games Federation of Andhra Pradesh in 2006.
- She later moved to the USA in 2018 and has been playing tournaments there since then. She has won the 2018 State Connecticut State Championship in New Haven, CT. She has been the second-place holder at Tri-State Championship (New York, New Jersey, Connecticut) twice in 2018 and 2024. She has been playing world Championship every year since 2020.
- Some of her prominent wins are as below:
 - Being #2 in Second Place in Under 1200 Category in 33rd World Open G/10 Under 1900 Championship, 2025.
 - Being #11 at World Open Under 1200 Mixed Doubles, 2024.
 - Being #14 in World Open Action Under 1400, 2022.

- Being #19 in World Open Under 1200 Championship, 2024.
- Being #26 in World Open Game/7 Championship Under 1800, 2020.
- Being #28 in 29th Annual World Open G/10 Championship U1900, 2021.
- Currently she is in the top 100 list in the USA for following categories:
 - #6 in Online-Regular Top Women Age 18-49.
 - #7 in Online-Quick Top Women Age 18-49.
 - #8 in Online-Blitz Top Women Age 18-49.
 - #27 in Online-Blitz Top Women Overall.



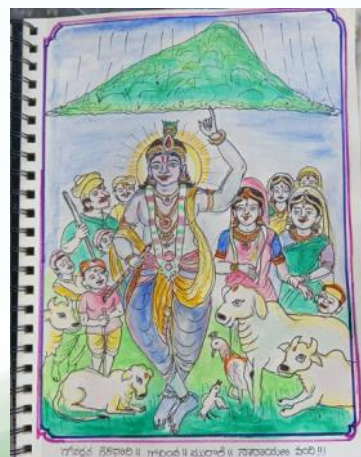
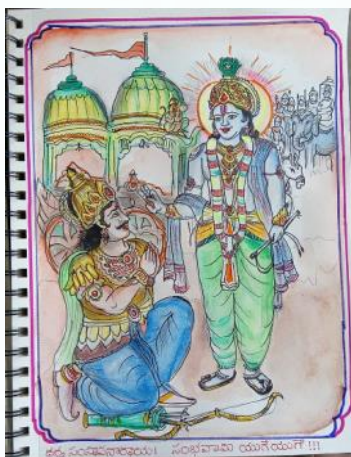
She has written 16 books on Chess and they are available on Amazon across 12 countries in the world: India, USA, UK, Canada, Japan, Australia etc., Pen name is Praneetha Patnaik.

Some of them have won awards and are as follows:

- #PircPlay book awarded as #1 book in Amazon Hot New Releases (UK), 2021.
- b4 Repertory book awarded as #2 book in Amazon Hot New Releases (UK), 2018.
- #SicilianPlay book awarded as trending book in the websites www.indiabooks.org, www.used-books.com in 2018.

She is currently working as a Validation Engineer at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals in Albany, New York.

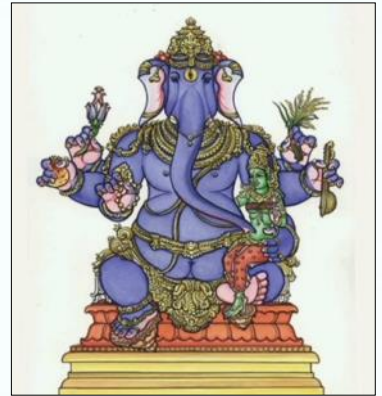
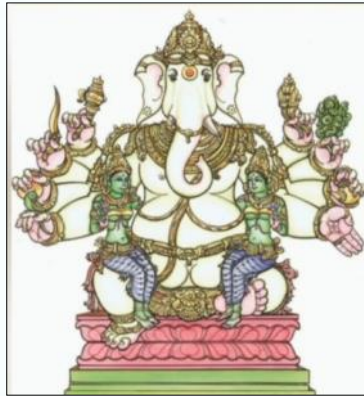
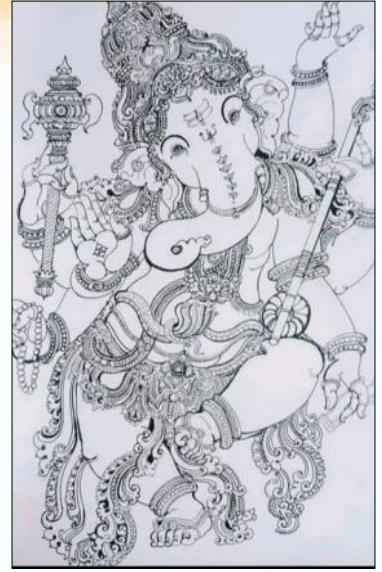
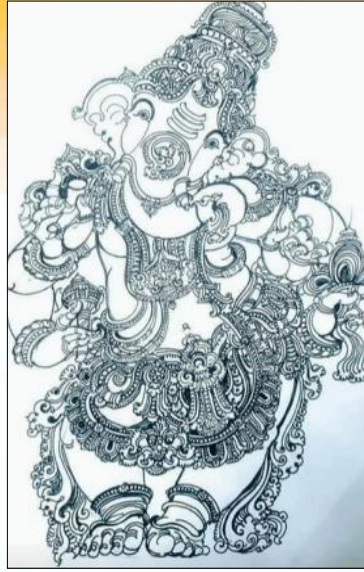
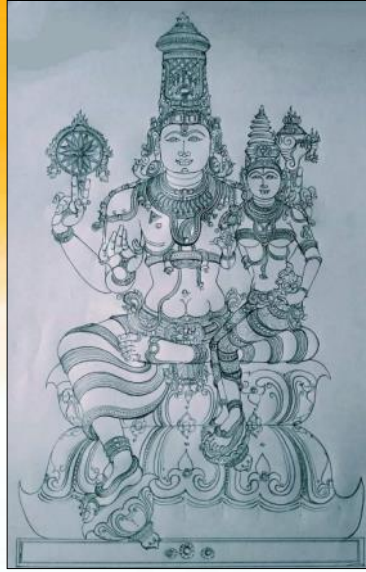
Paintings by Sri Dabbiru Dharma Rao



Talent Corner

KP Patnaik's Ganesha Art

Our Temple artist, Sclptor, Sathpathi Sri Raghupatruni Krishna Patnaik's beautiful devotional art on the occassion of Vinayaka chavithi.



Beautiful Pencil Art by Chi. Lasya



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	PAVANI
Surname	SADASIVUNI
Father's Name	S. NAGESHWARAO
Gotram	SRIVASTHAVA
Date of Birth	18-Jan-1998
Nakshatram	UTTARASHADA
Height	5' 3"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	B.SC
Preference	JOB AROUND ₹8LKS PM- PVT/GOVT, BELOW ₹35YRS.

Name	SUREKA
Surname	BAHADURSHA
Father's Name	B. RAMCHANDERAO
Gotram	NAGESHWARA
Date of Birth	26-Jul-1995
Nakshatram	PUNARVASHU
Height	5' 1"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	

Name	KANCHANAMALA
Surname	RYALI
Father's Name	LATE R. HANUMANTHARAO
Gotram	VISHWAMITRA
Date of Birth	5-Dec-1986
Nakshatram	
Height	
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	
Work Place	
Education	BA
Preference	PAN-INDIA



Name	LALITH
Surname	VADRANGI
Father's Name	V. VUJAY KUMAR
Gotram	ATREYASA
Date of Birth	17-Nov-1984
Nakshatram	
Height	5' 5"
Complexion	
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE CHATISGARH RAJYA
Work Place	
Education	B.COM
Preference	

Name	MURALI KRISHNA
Surname	BEHRA
Father's Name	B. PRASAD RAO
Gotram	
Date of Birth	24-Dec-1983
Nakshatram	MAGHA
Height	
Complexion	
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE TATA -AIA LIFE INSURANCE
Work Place	VIZAG, AP
Education	
Preference	

Name	SURYA TEJA
Surname	MANDAKURLTI
Father's Name	M.RAVI KUMAR
Gotram	NAAGANGRIKA
Date of Birth	7-Oct-1997
Nakshatram	JYESTA
Height	5'10"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE QUALCOMM
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	BE / B.TECH
Preference	DEGREE/ JOB/SECOND OR ONLY DAUGHTER/PAN.

Name	TARUN KUMAR
Surname	PATNAIK
Father's Name	
Gotram	BHARADWAJA
Date of Birth	28-Nov-1997
Nakshatram	VISAKHA
Height	5' 2"
Complexion	
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE KEY STONE INDIA PVT LTD
Work Place	
Education	
Preference	

Name	SAI TARUN
Surname	VENKUMAHANTHI
Father's Name	V. VENKATRAO
Gotram	NAGESHWARA
Date of Birth	7-Nov-2000
Nakshatram	VISAKHA
Height	5' 11"
Complexion	FAIR
Occupation	PVT. EMPLOYEE SOFTWARE
Work Place	HYDERABAD
Education	
Preference	GRADUATE, TELUGU STARES. AMICABLE FAMILY

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Health Page

5 Powerful Fruits.... Check for Heart Problems

5 Powerful Fruits for a Healthy Heart

Every year, millions of people around the world die from heart attacks. Known as the “silent killer,” a heart attack often comes suddenly and sometimes claims lives without giving any warning. The best way to prevent it is by adopting a healthy lifestyle and eating nutritious food. Among the various healthy options, certain fruits play a significant role in protecting heart health. Let’s look at five such powerful fruits that can help reduce the risk of heart disease and keep you healthy.

Pomegranate contains a compound called polyphenol, which provides strong antioxidant and anti-inflammatory benefits. These compounds protect the inner lining of arteries and improve blood circulation. Research shows that drinking pomegranate juice daily can reduce blood pressure and symptoms of heart disease. It also helps prevent the rise of LDL (bad cholesterol), thus keeping arteries clear.

Apple is one of the most well-known healthy fruits. Rich in pectin fiber, it helps lower bad cholesterol in the bloodstream. Its antioxidants, flavonoids, and other nutrients reduce inflammation and protect blood vessels from damage. Health experts suggest that

eating one apple a day can help prevent coronary heart disease.

Citrus fruits are a great source of Vitamin C. They also contain flavonoids and soluble fiber, which help maintain healthy cholesterol levels and ensure smooth blood flow. Regular consumption of oranges, lemons, grapes, or tangerines helps control blood pressure, reduce inflammation, and prevent arterial blockages.

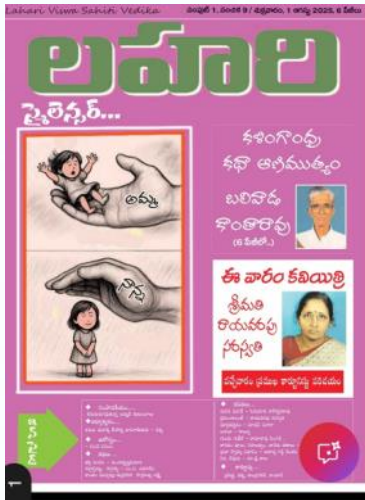
Berries are rich in anthocyanins, powerful antioxidants that reduce inflammation and oxidative stress—two major factors in heart disease development. Regular consumption lowers cholesterol and blood pressure while easing inflammation. Studies show that people who eat whole berries, rather than just extracts, have a lower risk of heart attack and stroke.

Red and black grapes contain resveratrol and other antioxidants that fight inflammation and slow the growth of cancer cells. Eating them daily supports heart health and may even help protect against skin and breast cancers.

Incorporating these five fruits into your diet can be a natural and effective way to protect your heart and live a healthier life.

Karanam World

Kalingandhra Katha Animuthyam Baliwada Kantarao



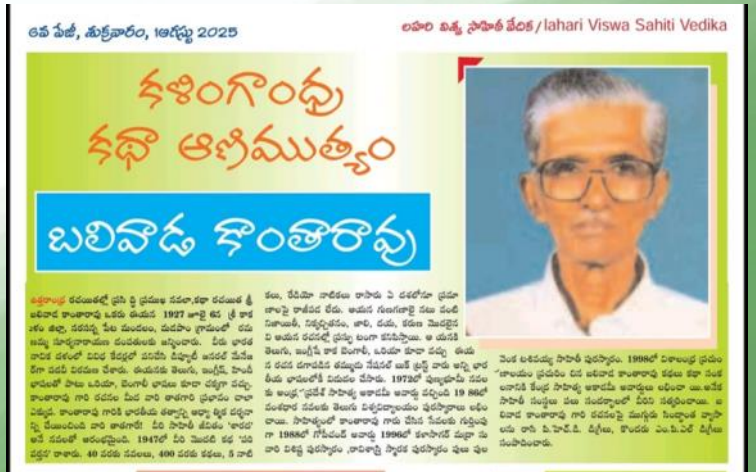
Among the renowned writers of Uttarandhra, Sri Balivada Kanta Rao stands out as a distinguished novelist and short story writer. He was born on July 6, 1927, in Madapam village, Narasannapeta Mandal, Srikakulam district, to Ramanaamma and Suryanarayana. He served in various capacities in the Indian Navy and eventually retired as Deputy General Manager. Along with Telugu, English, and Hindi, he was also proficient in Oriya and Bengali.

The influence of his grandfather deeply shaped his literary vision, particularly in introducing him to Indian philosophy and spiritual thought. His literary career began with the novel Sharada. In 1947, he wrote his first short story Pari-vartana. Over his career, he authored nearly 40 novels, around 400 short stories, five plays, and several radio dramas. At no stage did he compromise on literary standards. His writings reflected his noble traits—honesty, sincerity, compassion, and kindness.

Many of his works were translated into several Indian languages by the National Book Trust. His novel Punyabhumi won the Andhra Pradesh Sahitya Academy Award in 1972, while Vamshadhara

earned recognition from Telugu University in 1986. For his remarkable contributions, he received the Gopichand Award (1988), Kalasagar Madrasu Award, Ravishastri Memorial Award, and Venkata Shivayya Sahiti Puraskaram. In 1998, the Sahitya Akademi honored his short story collection Balivada Kanta Rao Kathalu published by Vishalandhra Publishers. Many literary organizations have honored him on various occasions.

Several scholars pursued doctoral and M.Phil. research on his works, further cementing his legacy. Recognized widely, Balivada Kanta Rao remains a towering figure in Telugu literature.



Our Treasures

Sunore Sunore..... Korno bhasha Sunore

<i>sunore sunore</i>	Listen, listen
<i>kornobhasha sunore</i>	Listen to Karanam language
<i>kovvore kovvore</i>	Speak, speak
<i>korno kotta kovvore</i>	The words of Karanam language
<i>asore asore</i>	Come, come
<i>korno bhasha sikkhattiva</i>	Let's learn Karanam language
<i>asore asore</i>	Come, come
<i>korn kotta koyittiva</i>	Let's speak words of Karanam language
<i>ammoro bhasha korno bhasha</i>	Our language is Karanam language
<i>amme kovuncho korno kotta</i>	Let's speak words of Karanam language
<i>amme neyiva korno bhashaku</i>	We will take our language
<i>kette duru hoyine</i>	No matter how far
<i>ammore korno jatti</i>	Our Karanam clan
<i>kothi kothi thaine</i>	Wherever they are
<i>sethare jone</i>	Saying that
<i>sobbu gotteka boli</i>	Everyone is one.
<i>amme bhashare</i>	In our language
<i>sanno sanno kottani,</i>	We will write little words
<i>kathani likkuncho</i>	And stories
<i>auri podhuncho</i>	And we will read
<i>asantu sunantu oja,</i>	Come and listen Grandfathers, grand-
<i>aayi, bappo, ma, pillani</i>	mothers, Fathers, mothers, children
<i>tumme asikori ammuku</i>	All of you come
<i>ashirvade dovuntop</i>	And bless us

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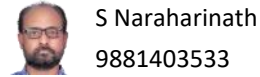
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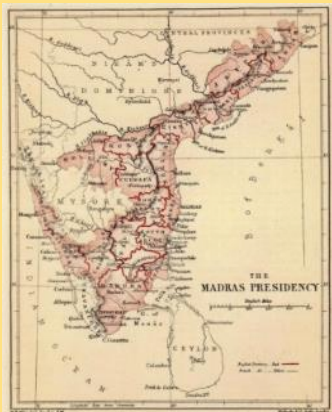
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The previous two Parts 10 and 11 of KYC & AISKA carried as Special Supplements in the LEKHA issues of July and August 2025 [Downloads / Lekha Newsletters - Sistakaranam Ikyavedika](#) covered the historical background of formation of the first ever Sistakaranams Association as a welfare body in Kharagpur, Bengal in 1920 AD.



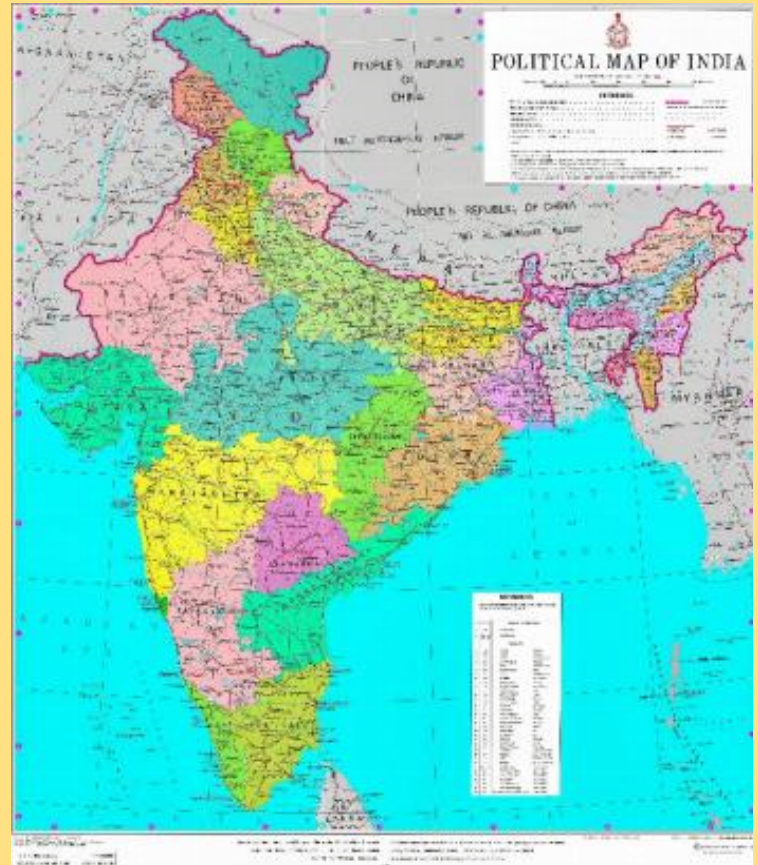
Thereafter followed several rounds of meetings and preparations during the years 1922 to 1924 which culminated in a few stalwarts (illustrious Teachers and leading Lawyers) of the community venturing to announce the establishment of All India Sistakaranams Association (AISKA) at the 1st Conference in Jalumuru of Ganjam District on May 30 and 31, 1925. It is a matter of pride that against a variety of constraints and challenges in the community, amidst ongoing freedom struggle in the country, World Wars I (1914-18) and II (1939-45) globally, and the country being under British Rule till August 1947, our leaders could muster courage and strength to gather some like-minded Sistakaranam individuals for a common cause primarily for the community welfare, helping poor and meritorious students, unemployed youth and matrimonial purposes.

The first map of Southern India shows the territory of Madras Presidency in the pre-independence times. It includes Andhra, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka regions in those times, with Chennai as Capital. North Andhra region of current Vizianagaram and Srikakulam districts were part of Ganjam district which is now in Odisha. The territory of Orissa was under Bengal Presidency, while a new State was formed on April 11, 1936 as Odisha. These north Andhra districts and Ganjam connecting with Odisha were concentration of Sistakaranam families. Similarly,



Similarly,

post India's independence, a new Telugu State of Andhra Pradesh (as one of the linguistic States) was formed on November 1, 1956 which was again bifurcated in June 2014 to create a new State of Telangana as shown in the second map. Hyderabad being the Capital City of combined State of Andhra Pradesh, attracted a big chunk of Sistakaranams who were working in various administrative wings in Government of Andhra Pradesh, other State / Central Establishments or Educational Institutions or pursuing professions or students and eventually settled down in Telangana territory.



AISKA held the three initial National level Conferences and took up several social and economic issues affecting the Sistakaranam community. They were

1. On May 30 and 31, 1925 in Jalumuru
2. On May 27 and 28, 1926 in Saluru and
3. On December 24 and 25, 1928 in Berhampore.

(Please recall that in Part 8, it was already mentioned the details of series of general body meetings of AISKA. 4th meeting was in 1945 in Berhampore, 5th in 1950 in Gangacholi Penta 6th in 1952 in Dimili, 7th in 1956 in Berhampore 8th in 1972 in Srikakulam, 9th in 1973 in Berhampore, 10th in 1976 in Visakhapatnam, 11th 1979 in

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Vizianagaram, 12th in 1982 in Visakhapatnam, 13th in 1985 in Parvathipuram, 14th in 1989 in Visakhapatnam, 15th in 1992 in Visakhapatnam, 16th in 1997 in Visakhapatnam, 17th in 2000 in Anakapalle, 18th in 2000 in Vizianagaram, 19th in 2006 in Bhubaneswar and 20th in 2007 in Visakhapatnam.

Conspicuously, there were long gaps in holding the above meetings viz., between 1928-1945, and 1956-1972, presumably due to Famine / Depression in 1932, Second World War 1939-45, India's independence struggle till 1947, death of AISKA President in 1965 or other reasons. It is reported that AISKA was defunct during late 1980s due to non-compliance with the provisions of Section 4 of the Societies Registration Act, 1860 and hence a need arose to form AISKA as a registered body, resulting in re-registration as No.117/1988 in Visakhapatnam, AP with a new set of Memorandum and Articles of Association by a new set of Office-bearers)

All these meetings were largely attended by the general body of Sistakaranam members, important agenda items were discussed, membership / donations / students' welfare funds were contributed, Office-bearers were elected, Committees formed, poor and meritorious students were financially supported, eminent persons / authors / poets were honoured and all deliberations / resolutions made. These were published in the leading daily Telugu newspaper ANDHRA PATRIKA and Special Radhotsava Issue of BANDHU SEVA. While all these initial and strenuous efforts of the leadership to build a strong national level organisation were fructifying, it was painful that a self-styled well-wisher of Sistakaranam Community in Berhampore published 19 allegations labelled as YAKSHA PRASNALU in the Telugu daily dated January 18, 1933. Of course, such hurdles or obstacles are not unexpected. I reiterate my gratitude to Sri Sadasivuni Lakshmana Rao of Visakhapatnam for providing me with all the archives of newspaper clippings and reports in Bandhu Seva and others.

It is pertinent to mention here that a new State of Orissa (now Odisha) was formed on April 1, 1936. Sistakaranam community students with reference to the fee concessions etc hitherto extended, were adversely affected due to decisions by new Orissa Government. This new State was a part of the then Bengal Province and Sistakaranam community members / families were continuing to live both in Orissa as also in northern districts of Andhra area in Ganjam district which was part of Madras Province till India's independence in August 1947 followed by creation of linguistic States like Andhra Pradesh (separated from Madras / Tamil Nadu) in November 1956. (AP was again bifurcated in June 2014 to form Telangana State).

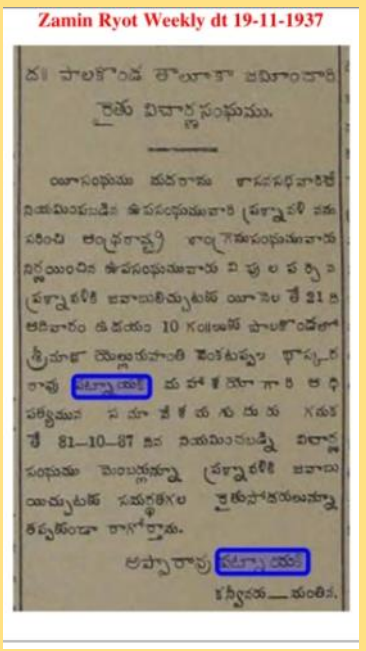
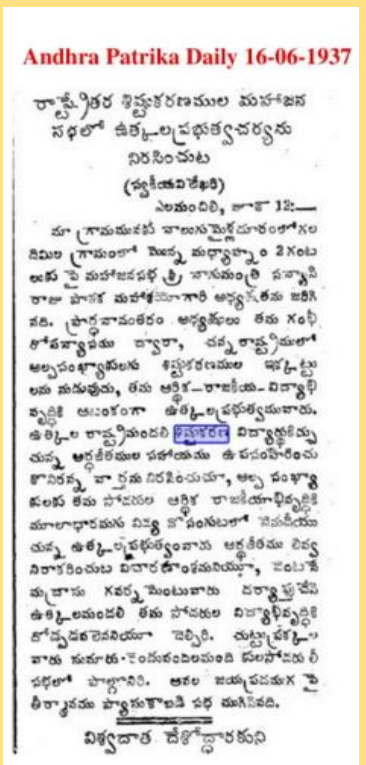
Given below is a newspaper clipping of Telugu Daily ANDHRA PATRIKA dated June 16, 1937 wherein it was reported that a meeting of Sistakaranams was held in Dimili, near Yelamanchili on June 10. It was attended by over 200 members of the community from surrounding areas and presided over by Sri Nagumanthri Sanyasi Raju Pathak. The major issue of concern was withdrawal of 50% fee concession facility given to students of Sistakaranams by the Orissa Government. An urgent appeal was made to Government of Madras State to take up the issue of problems faced by

the minority Sistakaranams in Orissa and resolve the socio-political-economic concerns. These grievances were pleaded to be given urgent priority and to restore the fee concession to students. The meeting was reported to be a big success.

Members reading this series of articles, by now might have observed that besides the typical titles like Patnaik, Patro, Patra or Mahanthi, some of our elders did also carry some special names like Pathak, Sarma, Suri, Pandit, etc which fact needs to be studied in-depth to understand more about the roots, roles, traditions followed, etc of Sistakaranam Community.

Placed below is a newspaper clipping from Zamin Ryot Weekly dated November 19, 1937 (in Telugu) reporting on The Palakonda Taluka Zamindari Rythu Vicharana Sangham. Although its contents may not be likely to be pertaining to Sistakaranam community or Associations directly, but has a reference to one of our leaders, Sri Yellumahanthi Venkatappala Bhaskara Rao Patnaik who presided over an important meeting of farmers of Palakonda held on October 31, 1937. (Incidentally, Sri Bhaskara Rao Patnaik was the first and only MLA from our Sistakaranams community.) [Ellumahanti Bhaskara Rao - Sistakaranam Ikyavedika](#) The meeting was organised by Andhra Rashtra Congress to respond to certain questionnaire of a Sub-Committee constituted by the then Madras State Government. The notice was released to press by Sri Appa Rao Patnaik, Convener, Manthisa.

Another interesting 2-page write up in Telugu in Volume 6 of Andhra Vignanam (Page numbers 3205 - 3206) in the year 1941 speaks a concise description of Sistakaranam Community with some known and unknown facts. It was authored by Sri Sishtu Krishnamurthy Kavi, a Brahmin with Vashista Gothram and a Pandit in Telugu and Sanskrit. His parents were Sri Sarva Sastry and Smt Gouramma. He was born in Raparthi of Pithapuram.



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Sistakaranams lived in the Ganjam and Vizag areas in the Utkal (Orissa) and Andhra region. Members of the community refer themselves as belonging to Kayastha, Gowda Brahmins, Sama Vedula, Sista Kayasthas, etc. They do not perform marriages in Menarikamu (maternal or paternal side ie., close family relatives). Members carry titles such as Patro, Mahapatro, Mazumdar, Vadangi, Patnaik, Mahanthi, Pandit, Mantri, Jain, Gupta, Rajadatta, Dheesantho, Dutta, Maha Prasantho, Pathak, etc., which are related to the Utkal clan. They are being Karanams, carry a prefix SISH-TU. They seem to have migrated to Utkal territory and were honoured by the Rulers and Kings, entrusted the role as Village Officials and were made Pattana Nayak as title. They are known as Karanams and also different similar titles. A few of them also pursued farming and agriculture as profession. They are experts in the subject of Mathematics. For long years, they resided in Utkal territory and followed Utkal traditions. In addition to Sistakaranams, there are 15 other sub-sects like Ambashtu Karanalu, Kanaka Pillai Karanalu, Chitti Karanalu, Dubbai Karanalu, etc but these are all not directly related.

The exact past records of this community are not available. However, a reference was found about Sistakaranams in SISTA DARSINI written by Pandit Dabbiru Narayana Murthy Sarma. Sri Kuppili Krishna Murthy wrote in late Nineteenth Century a book titled

UTKALA VAMSA PRADEEPIKA (1910 AD) wherein he mentioned them as Gowda Brahmins. Sri Kamalakara Bhatta also mentioned about them in his book CHARANA VYUHAMU. Sri Harikrishna Sarma also referred about them in his book BRIHA JYOTHISHARNAMU and Brahmanothpatthi. In Padma Purana Shrushti Khandamu also a mention was made that they belonged to Chitragupta clan and Gowda Brahmins who lived in Gowda Desamu (may be as Bengal border).

All India Sistakaranams Association (AISKA), with Berhampore as its headquarters was registered on 19th April, 1947 as an Association under Societies Registration Act, 1860 with Registrar of Societies, Cuttack, the then capital city of Orissa State. The registration no. 2/47 was allotted to AISKA. (Due to certain untoward developments, changes in geographical territories, etc., AISKA was re-registered in Visakhapatnam, AP with a new set of Byelaws / Memorandum and Articles of Association (please see pages no. 290 to 293 of the book SISTAKARANA BANDHU SREYOBHILASHI 1920-2010) and Leadership Team and was allotted registration no. 117/1988). The logo was also modified in 1988 as under:-



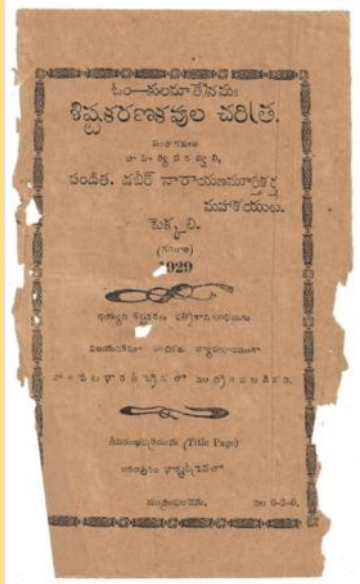
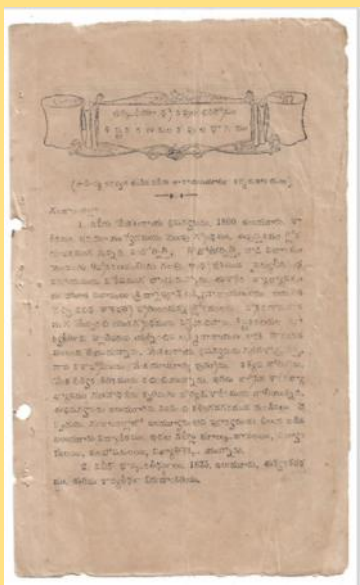
Posted below is a newspaper advertisement in a Telugu Daily Andhra Patrika dated 24th June, 1953 with a caption VARUDU KAVALENU (Wanted Bridegroom) inserted by a Sistakaranam family of a prospective bride calling for marriage proposals. A quick reading will only depict the contemporary cultural / traditional practices in those days. It was given with a Box number care of Madras Office of the paper. The bride was to be only 16 years old seeking a groom below 27 years of age. He should be employed or at least qualified in School Final exam. Parents consent is a must. Handsome dowry or financial support of Rs. 600 per annum for 2-3 years duration to support education of the groom was offered. Applicants responding were asked to furnish details like Surname, age, education, native place, parents' occupation, property if any, etc to the Box No 4/1127, care of Andhra Patrika, Madras -1.



SISTAKARANAMS IN THE LITERARY WORLD: After having dealt with at length about the formative years of AISKA during 1920-30s, Socio-Economic-Political issues encountered by Sistakaranams, Story of the community in the media and a sample matrimonial advertisement in a regional daily newspaper, let us move ahead to learn and discuss about the literary work pursued by some of our eminent writers in the past and present. SISTAKARANA KAVULA CHARITRA (HISTORY OF SISTAKARA-

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NAM WRITERS) in Telugu is a 40 pages book published in 1929 AD by Sahitya Saraswathi Pandit Dabbiru Narayana Murty Sarma of Tekkali in Ganjam Dist. It contains essays on Sistakarana writers as a supplement to the Special Vijaya Dasami issue, printed in Sompeta Bharati Press. The Title page was printed in Bherampore (Brahmapuram) Pharmacy Press and book was priced at 2 annas. (16 annas make a rupee in those days). The book is on UTKALA ANDHRA KAVULA CHARITRAM and these pages cover on the Sistakarana Kavula Charitra of writers during the years 1535 to 1929 AD. [COMMUNITY LITERATURE - Sistakaranam Ikyavedika](#)



The narration begins with 37 writers of erstwhile Ganjam District. The list is headed by Sri Dabbiru Venkataraya Bhishagvarudu, of Jalumuru (Jalamvuru in Ganjam district) and Kalinganagaramu. He was an expert Mathematician and a Ayurveda practitioner. His writings in the year 1800 AD were mostly on medical topics. His name was mentioned in an article on the past glory of Sistakaranams by Sri Dwarapudi Lakshminarayana of Polaki. Jalumuru was a well known educational centre where Dabbiru families were popular as Malukdars, Scholars and patrons of the community. Next name is Kavya Thirtha Sri Dabbiru Bhaskara Thirtha of Jalumuru who wrote Easwara Sathakam in 1835 AD. Third is Sri Kallepalli Varaha Narasimha Vyakaranulu of Srikakulam. He was a Pandit and worked as a Andhra Sanskrit Teacher in Anglo Vernacular Govt School. He wrote in 1836 AD, Telugu books like Viveka Satakamu, Hayagriva Satakamu, Ruthudhwaja Charitra and others which were prescribed as text books for Matriculation class by the British Administration. Details of remaining 34 writers and their books are available in the book for reference.

Next bunch covers 8 authors of Yuvaka Mandali. They are 1. Dabbiru Sagara Koteeswara Sarma of Jalumuru (1924) who was a pandit in Hindi and Marathi 2. Munagavalasa Simhachalam (1926) of Munagavalasa 3. Raghupatra Rajapatrulu (1920) of Tulagamu 4. Raghupatra Venkatesam (1920) of Parlakimidi 5. Naupada Venkataramanayya (1920) of Naupada 6. Polumahanthi Apparao (1925) of Madanapuram 7. Rajamahanthi Suryappadu, Salehundam and

8. Durgumahanthi Seetharama Sarma (1925) of Sompeta. Third group of 45 names belong to Visakhapattana Mandalamu. This list is led by Sri Donkada Gopinatha Kavi (1535) who wrote Vichitra Ramayana Gadya Kavyamu, which is said to be the first Andhra gadyamu. He belonged to Nandapuramu and was a Minister under Vishwambara Dev. He was known to be a Dana Karna for his nature of charity and a Scholar in Odiya language too. The remaining 44 names of authors belonged to 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th centuries and living within the Visakhapatnam territory. All of them were pandits in Andhra, Sanskrit and Odiya languages and authored on varied topics. Some of them worked as Teachers and Govt Officers. One special name to be mentioned is that of Sl. No.29 Sri Nagumanthri Chinakamaiah of Desapathra Palem near Dimili who wrote Pydithalli Dandakamu in 1398 AD. Details of all 45 writers and their books are available in the book for reference.

The fourth bunch of 16 authors belonged to AADHUNIKA MANDALI. They are 1. Pathanayaka Suryanarayanopadhyayulu (1923) of Bobbili who wrote 13 books 2. Garbham Apparao, BA of Vizianagaram who was proficient in English and wrote books in Telugu. Details of remaining 14 writers and their books are available in the book for reference.

The last five pages contain not about any books or authors. Three pages contain prescriptions of ayurveda medicines for various ailments among women, one page for children and the last page is a general list common for all. Overall, it is a masterpiece archive on the literary works of Sistakaranam writers of North Andhra during the five centuries and worth reading.

Continuing from the past glory of scholarly writing by our eminent Sistakaranams is a list of 8 books authored between 1935 AD and 1997 AD. They are available in our Sistakaranam Iky Vedika website for reference. These are 1. Artharakshamanisathakam of 1935 by Sri Behara Anantharama Patnaik 2. Revathi Natakam of 1946 by Sri Manapuram Apparao Patnaik 3. Ramabhadrashatakamu of 1938 by Sri Balivada Simhachalam Patnaik 4. Ame Vyabhicharina of 1946 by Sri Manapuram Apparao Patnaik 5. Young Widow of 1943 by Sri Manapuram Apparao Patnaik 6. Prayaschitham of 1945 by Sri Manapuram Apparao Patnaik 7. Bharya Yenduku of 1945 by Sri Manapuram Apparao Patnaik and 8. Srimad Bhagavatgitha Parichayam of 1997 by Sri Balagangadhar Patnaik, Deepasikha, Odisha.

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