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## Efforts To Get OBC Status

Since 1993, when the central government formed the National Commission of Backward Classes (NCBC) on Supreme Court's recommendation, our community leaders have put in efforts to get OBC. Memoranda were given to the then PM Sri P V Narasimha Rao and again in 2010 to Sri Manmohan Singh.

With Parliament approving constitutional status to NCBC in 2018, and appointing chairman Sri Bhagwan Lal Sahni, members Shri Tailoju Acharya and others, efforts for our OBC have been intensified.

As a result of the petitions from Sistakaranam leaders of Hyderabad under the guidance of Sri DV Krishna Rao, Sri Talaju Acharya, who himself hails from Telangana, promised that he would work to include Sistakaranam com-

munity in the OBC list, in a meeting at Visakhapatnam on 25 August 2019.

Further, on January 10, 2021, on the occasion of the retirement function of the Andhra Pradesh Sistakarana Sangam President Mr. Polumahanti Uma Maheshwara Rao at Srikakulam, Sri Talaju Acharya said that it was time for our caste to be listed under OBC.

Recently, Andhra Pradesh State Sistakarana OBC Sadhana Samiti and Convener Sri Murahari Rao Simhagiri Patnaik met NCBC chairman Sri Bhagwan Lal Sahni, along with Sri Talloju Achari on February 4, 2021 in Delhi, and discussed the inclusion of our caste in the Central OBC list. They said the recommendations would be sent to the Minister of Social Justice this week.



### Let's Vote for Shanmukha Priya Tonight

Calling all relatives & friends... Tonight, Feb 7, 2021 at 8 pm, let's watch Shanmukhapriya's mesmerizing performance on Sony TV's "Indian Idol" and vote for her.

### Voting Method

1. Download the Sony Liv App in your cell phone
2. Open the Sony Liv App and click on 'Indian Idol' banner
3. Click on 'Vote Now'
4. Click on Shanmukha Priya's photo and submit. Do this 50 times and bless her with 50 votes each.

Note: Your precious votes should be cast only between 8 pm and 12 pm tonight. Voting lines will be closed at 12 pm.

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One aspect about this newsletter, which we are still figuring out, is the statutory need for registering it. Our initial assessment is that this newsletter may not need

any registration, mainly due to 4 reasons: (1) It's a digital magazine, for which currently no government regulations exist, (2) It's not a printed magazine, which requires approval of RNI (Registrar of Newspapers for India), (3) It's not a commercial venture, but a collaborative voluntary effort from members of our community and (4) It's for private circulation only, meaning that it is meant only for members of the Sistakaranam community. However, we are open for advice in this matter, and reiterate that we shall abide by any statu-

tory requirements, once the same is clear.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### "Padmashree" First Look Banner released

On the occasion of the start of the New Year, "Padmashree" Film First Look was unveiled by Rajam MLA Kambala Jogulu at a function held at his office on the morning of January 1st.

Part of the shooting of 'Padmashree' was done in Hyderabad and Alampur, while most of it was done at beautiful locations in Trupti Resorts. According to the Director Patnaik, the scenes filmed in Trupti Resorts will be an asset to this comedy-oriented action horror movie with new comers. He also said that graphics were given importance in the film.

MLA Kambala Jogulu said that he was very happy that shooting most of the film in satisfaction resorts in his constituency is transforming Trupti Resorts into a film studio, and is turning the locals into a film field folks. He congratulated "Padmashree" Executive Producer PVG Krishnam Raju on this occasion.

Sistakaranams involved in the making of this film:



Hero Pakki Kishore, other Heroes Allena Harsha and Sadashivuni Srinu, Heroine Ravipalli Sandhyarani, Negative role Marupalli Satish Patnaik, Chalapathi, another 15 small & big actors, Graphics Sadashivuni Shivakumar Kashyapu, Art Manipatruni Nageswara Rao, Lyrics Basangi Suresh Kumar, Dr. Dubbir Govinda Rao, Financial

Advisors Pakki Suresh, Pakki Harika, another 10 to 15 technicians, Chartered Accountants Kaspala Venugopal, Rajendra Patnaik, Legal Advisor Karanam Muralidhar. Story, Screenplay & Direction SS Patnaik, Producer Sadashivuni Sireesha.

### Praneetha Patnaik stars in "c/o Kancharapalem"



"c/o Kancharapalem" is the Telugu film selected for the New York Film Festival this year. Director Venkatesh Maha makes his debut in Tollywood with this film. Subba Rao, Radha Bessie, Kesava Curry, Nitya Sri, Karthik Ratnam, Vijaya Praveena, Mohan Bhagat and Praneetha Patnaik are the actors in the film. These names are not heard anywhere nor seem to be seen anywhere.

That's because they are all newcomers. Not only them, 52 new artists have acted in this film. That they are all residents of 'Kanchara Palem' is the speciality of "c/o Kancharapalem".

Coming to the story.. "c/o Kancharapalem" is the tale of 4 couples in different age groups. Raju (Subba Rao) is an attendant in a Government Office, who has remained single even at 49 years. Radha (Radha Bessie) comes on transfer from Odisha as an officer in the same office. She is a widow with a 20-year-old daughter. Radha falls in love with Raju, who is the subject of town gossip for nearing 50 and remaining a bachelor.

The second couple is Joseph (Karthik Ratnam), Bhargavi (Pranitha Patnaik). Joseph is a Christian teenager. Working for Ammoru gym owner in Kancharapalem, he deals with settlement of disputes. He eventually gets into a confrontation with Brahmin girl Bhargavi, but they eventually fall in love.

### Duggivalasa Divakar's "Ek Shaitani Bangla" takes YouTube by storm

The Hindi film "Ek Shaitani Bangla" directed by our community member Sri Duggivalasa Diwakar was released on YouTube on December 25, which garnered 40,000 views in 8 hours, created a small sensation on YouTube with 250,000 views in 3 weeks.

Synopsis : Surya is a Ph.D. student who is working on the authenticity of ghosts in the modern world. One fine day, he meets an attractive looking girl called Swapna and falls in love with her. As time flies by, some terrifying incidents start taking place. Surya gets to know that the damsel that he is in love with is actually a ghost in disguise. Rest of the story: What was Swapna's motive in luring Surya into her love? What is Swapna's history-background?



## NEWSMAKERS

### Visishta Vaidya Shiromani

The people's doctor, who has conducted several medical camps for the welfare of the community and provides free medical services to the poor, Sri Kuppili Suresh Babu was awarded the Savitribai Phule "Visishta Vaidya Shiromani" Award.

The Savitribai Phule Educational and Charitable Trust honoured Suresh Babu for his free medical services for the homeless in tribal, urban areas, old age homes, pre-ma samajam and orphanages, through a memnto handed over by the trust founder and chairperson Dr. Sitamahalakshmi and others.



### 7 year old Coding Wizard

One 7-year-old from our community in Balangir, Odisha has cleared the Microsoft Technology Associate Examination, as per a report in The New Indian Express. It is a globally recognised certification for those who want to embark on a career in technology.



Meet Venkat Raman Patnaik. The 7-year-old is a Class III student. He is home-schooled from Whitehar Jr. More at:

[Odisha's 7-year-old wonder kid clears Microsoft Technology Associate examination- The New Indian Express](#)

### Award named after Raghupathruni Bhima Rao

Retired Senior Scientist in the State of Odisha, a prominent member of our Sistakaranam community, and leader of Bhubaneswar Sistakarana Association, Dr. Raghupathruni Bhima Rao has an award established after his name, according to a notification from the Institution of Engineers Odisha Center, released on 21-1-2021.

Dr. Raghupathruni Bhima Rao Award will be awarded to the author of fine scientific essays in mineral processing engineering every year from 2021.



### Indian Police Medal for Sadasivuni Varadaraju

Vigilance and Enforment SP Sadasivuni Varadaraju has been awarded the Indian Police Medal. Having passed out from the 1985 SI batch, he worked mostly in the Visakhapatnam range. On promotion as DSP, he worked in the Telangana region, and then as additional SP he worked at Rajahmundry.



### Recognition to Allena Venkata Janardan Rao's book

Prominent writer, Retired District Registrar Allena Venkata Janardhana Rao's 'Krishnam Vande Jagadgurus' has received a great honor. The book has been approved for purchase by all libraries of all districts of the state for 2020-2021. The state Department of Public Libraries has issued orders to this effect. Janardhana Rao has so far written 15 books, enriching the field of literature.



### Best P.R.O.

Vizag Journalist Forum (VJF) has selected Mr. Dasamantha Rao Saibaba as best Public Relations Officer for the "Prathibhaku Puraskaram" ("Award for Talent") honour.

The award was presented by Parliament Member Sri A. Vijayasai Reddy at a function held at YVS Murthy Auditorium in the campus of AU Engineering College on Sunday 10-1-2021.



### Visakha Steel Covid Warrior

He is one of our Sistakaranam leaders and a steel giant. He is none other than film director Duggivalasa Diwakar.

When Covid-19 was at its peak stage, he made many short films that would scare the virus itself and created awareness among people. For his service to the people, Diwakar was awarded the Covid Warriors Honor Certificate by the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant CMD Sri P K Rath.



### Republic Day Honor Winners

On occasion of the 72nd Republic Day, Government employees have been honored for their commendable services and working as Covid-19 frontline warriors. Here are our Sistakaranam winners ...

1. Srikakulam District Revenue Officer, Balivada Dayanidhi
2. Eluru Regional Vigilance and Enforcement Office Superintendent of Police, Sadashivani Varadaraju
3. Palakonda Nagar Panchayat Commissioner B. M. Shivaprasad
4. Ramabhadrapuram Panchayat Executive Officer BVJ Patrogar
5. Bobbili Civil Supplies Dy Tahsildar Baliwada Gowrishankara Rao
6. Sri M Ravindra Babu, Administrator Amadalavasa Mandal



## EDITORIAL

### We, And Our Thoughts

The 2021 New Year Eve and the festivities of Sankranthi have come and gone. Years may come and go. Same the births and deaths of humans. But humanity and values of people will remain forever in the hearts of all. There are many great persons in our Sistakaranam community too, but the reason why their lives do not appear in the pages of history is, more because of our jealousies and hatred, rather than lack of our unity. If someone attains some fame, there are some others who cannot digest it. The 'self (SWA or Aham)' prejudice, that I am everything, I know everything, is what interferes with the growth and development of our community. This is the bitter truth that we all must accept. In other communities, members in the community help other members to grow and strive to get those members into the niche of history. An Achiever endeavors for the upliftment of other people. But we do not see that harmony among us. The reason for this is the insecurity that has accumulated within us.

If we go a little deeper, some castes are dominating political, cinema/media, agriculture and economic sectors, as such, our youth hesitant to claim their own caste. Although we are not among the four varnas mentioned in the Puranas, we must not forget that we no less in terms of superiority than the upper classes, with our intelligence, wisdom and professional skills; we stand as advisors to other communities. Even among us, writers like; Kumari Sataka writer Kuppili Venkata Narasimha Kavi, Baliwada Kantha Rao, Ganesh Patro (poet), Amarnath, Vizag Prasad (actors) and many famous actors from the theatre, Peoples fighters from the Naxalbari movement like Dabbiru Nagabhushan Patnaik, Donkada Bhuvana Mohan Patnaik, many prominent doctors, legal experts, professors, academicians, revenue officials, and in the same genetic inheritance, today's youth are also moving ahead in their own style with excellence in the employment and business sectors. In this context, one thing we all need to note is that our community DNA is VERY SPECIAL. Let us use it for the welfare and development of our community without being repressed with narrow thoughts and insecurity. We, who are spread all over India at present, shall make our presence felt not just in the country, but in the GLOBAL.

Your Relative  
Anantha Prasad

## INTERVIEW

### Mineral Scientist par Excellence

Lekha in its journey found a diamond in minerals and that diamond is none other than Dr. Raghupatruni Bhima Rao. He is a well-known scientist in the field of Mineral Process Engineering. Conversation with Dr. Bhima Rao by Lekha team moved around his versatile personality with an committed affiliation towards Sistakaranam Community. Excerpts:

Dr. Bhima Rao was born to Late Sri R. Narayana Murthy and Late R. Laxmi Kantam in 1952 in Kuppili village of Srikakulam District. He is currently working as Director, Aryan Institute of Engineering Technology, Bhubaneswar and as an Adviser to Indian Rare Earths Limited (IREL).

Dr. Bhima Rao superannuated in 2012 as Chief Scientist from a CSIR organization, Institute of Minerals and Materials Technology, Bhubaneswar. He started his professional journey as Researcher and in exploration of research in the field of minerals, he has few feathers in his cap by obtaining patents. In this journey, he is crowned with various key positions and prestigious awards. Our community must give a standing ovation to Dr. Bhima Rao for instituting an award in his name under Chemical Engineering category by the Institution of Engineers (India) of Bhubaneswar and will be awarded to one amongst 17 thousand engineers of Odisha State.

#### **What was your profile sir prior to a Researcher?**

I obtained doctorate degree in Mineral Engineering from IIT Dhanbad (formerly Indian School of Mines) after completion of my two post graduations from the College of Science and Technology and the College of Engineering, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam. My career started as a Scientist with Central Scientific & Industrial Research, an autonomous organization under Ministry of Science & Technology.

#### **Can you tell us your specific specialization in terms of service to the nation?**

I got an opportunity to take up an industrial project on chromite ore beneficiation which led industrialists to set up Ferro Alloys Corporation Ltd plant at Bhadrak and TISCO at Bhimtangnagar. My know-how on use of additives in grinding for energy saving or liberation of values in comminution plants has been widely accepted by few mineral industries. The Wolkem group of industries, TAMIN Shivganga Graphite, Kudremukh Iron Ore Company are a few beneficiaries to mention here. Many cement plants in India have introduced additives in grinding of cement and achieved best grinding performance. Government of Sweden had invited me as an expert to adopt the same for their industry.

My contribution on basic and applied research on metallurgical bauxite and refractory bauxite has been adopted by premier industries like NALCO, Aditya, Ashapura, Vedanta, Dalmia. The same technology with some value addition led to setting up of Tata Steel, Ushamartin, VS Dempo, Hi Grade pellets etc. For these works, I was conferred with Excellence in Mineral Beneficiation Award, and Govinda Gupta Memorial Shield for

### Dr. Raghupatruni Bhima Rao

**Profession:** Former Chief Scientist, CSIR – IMMT (GoI) Bhubaneswar.

**Claim to Fame:** Over 20 awards at State, National & International levels, incl. National Mineral Award - 1999 from GOI. Over a dozen felicitations all over the country, incl. from Governors of Odisha & Tripura. Authored/co-authored over 300 papers presented in various journals, books and different fora. Award instituted on his name by IEI.

**As Sistakaranam:** Yeoman service for Community development along with his wife, including matrimonial services.



my R & D contribution to the Odisha. The National Mineral Award in the area of Mineral Beneficiation (instituted under the National Mineral Award Scheme of Ministry of Mines, Govt of India) is one of my prestigious recognitions.

#### **May we know your academic contributions?**

I have the credit of giving India a few Ph D and M. Tech students in the area of Mineral Process Engineering and Material Science. Some of my students who belong to our community got gold medals for their best papers. All my students settled in high profile.

The Institution of Engineers India, Kolkata felicitated me as Eminent Engineer. IEI Vijayawada and Bhubaneswar felicitated him as Elder engineer, Andhra University felicitated as Eminent scientist. Sistakaranam communities in Bhubaneswar and Visakhapatnam felicitated as Best Academician. Recently, I have been felicitated by His Excellency the Governor of Odisha for his life time contribution to the state of Odisha during the convocation at Bhartiya Vidya Bhavan.

#### **Share your passion for our Sistakaranam community**

My wife and I have affinity to do service to our community and associated with Sistakaranam Association, Bhubaneswar since its inception. We are Admin for Sistakaranam matrimony Diary Whatsapp group [917978663501]. We also brought out Sistakaranam Vivaha Parichaya Patrika during 2019 and distributed all over India. We wish to continue our unconditional social service for the development of our Sistakaranam community in all spheres.

#### **Your advice to our community**

Our community youth must not divert to other communities in any alignment and save the prestige of parents and the community as a whole.

**Lekha wishes him for his further contribution to the nation and success in all his endeavours.**

## OPEN FORUM

### COVID Vaccine - FAQs, Facts & Myths

As we all know, Corona Vaccine distribution has started, but still some are not ready to get vaccinated because of some inhibitions. So we try to answer some of questions. COVID VACCINE-Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and facts & Myths .

- 1) What's the recommended dose & schedule?
  - Two doses given 21 days or 28 days apart depending on vaccine used.
- 2) What if I take only one dose?
  - One dose will give you only partial protection of maybe 60-80% and will not last long enough. For complete protection you must take two doses at recommended intervals.
- 3) What if I forget to take the second dose? Should I take the first again?
  - Just take the second dose at the earliest. No need to repeat the first dose.
- 4) Are both doses same?
  - In most of the vaccines it will be the same dose given twice. However, Sputnik- V vaccine has both doses as different vector viruses, so will be marked as dose 1 and 2... Oxford-AZ vaccine may also come out with first dose as half dose.
- 5) Can it be administered to an individual who has received plasma as treatment for Covid?
  - The donor plasma contains anti Covid-19 antibodies and may suppress the immune response to the vaccine. As it is, those who have recovered from Covid-19 may not need the vaccine in the early phases.
- 6) If offered a choice of vaccines, which one should I take?
  - All vaccines are offering equal efficacy although local reactions may be different. Take whatever available. Think positive that at least you are being offered a vaccine ahead of others. Indian manufactured vaccines will be more suitable for our population as they are cheaper and can be kept at 2-8 degree Celsius. The mRNA vaccines require a storing temp of -70 (Pfizer) and -20 (Moderna) which may be difficult to maintain in summer months.
- 7) How many days after getting vaccine, would I develop protection?
  - Best protection starts 10 days after second dose. Efficacy is around 70-90% against all severity and 100% against hospitalization. Immediate aim is to prevent hospitalisation and mortality.
- 8) How long will the vaccine provide immunity?
  - It is a new virus, new technology vaccine, so

we don't know. After follow-ups of these vaccinated population and their antibodies for a couple of years, we would be wiser. The need for boosters and when will they be required, will be decided after these follow ups and mathematical modelling.

- 9) Can it be given to immunocompromised individuals?
  - The mRNA vaccine and inactivated vaccines are safe. AZ and Sputnik-V adenovirus vector vaccines are also safe as they are non-replicating viral vector vaccines. Live vaccines and replicating viral vector vaccines will have to be avoided.
- 10) I heard that it has pig or monkey products? I am a pure Vegetarian.
  - The new vaccines manufactured these days are devoid of any such products.
- 11) There are messages going around that mRNA from vaccine gets incorporated into the human genome and alter our genetic structure. Is that true?
  - mRNA vaccine carries a message to the cell to produce spike protein which induces antibody production. It does what it is directed to do. Till date there have been no adverse events reported.
- 12) What is the interaction of alcohol and Covid vaccine?
  - Excessive alcohol can reduce the immune responses to vaccines.
- 13) Soon the virus will mutate and we will need another vaccine. Should we not wait?
  - Till now the virus has not shown tendency to mutate like the Flu virus. Moreover, the vaccines being developed have taken this into consideration and should still work.
- 14) What is CoWIN?
  - It is the world's first, digital, end to end, vaccine distribution and management system. It includes beneficiary registration, authentication, document verification, session allocation, AEFI reporting and certificate generation. Once the vaccine is available, it will generate a SMS informing the beneficiary. The vaccine centre itself will be managed by five people and will give maximum 100 vaccines per day. The vaccine recipient has to wait for 30 minutes before leaving the centre post-vaccination.
- 15) What are the different types of Corona vaccines likely to be available for use in near future?
  - Covishield, by Serum Institute of India (Oxford AstraZeneca) is a non-replicating

viral vector vaccine. These are viruses that have been modified to act as delivery systems that carry the viral antigens to our immune cells. Chimpanzee adenovirus is the vector used to deliver the corona virus antigen in the SII vaccine and human adenoviruses in Sputnik V (Russian vaccine, made in India by Dr Reddy's lab).

Covaxin, by Bharat Biotech India Ltd is a whole cell inactivated vaccine. Most of the current vaccines being used in Pediatric immunization, are made by this technology. Since these are killed viruses, they produce immunity, but cannot cause the disease.

Pfizer and Moderna vaccines from USA, consist of messenger RNA molecules. They carry the code message which induces the human cell to manufacture spike protein of the Corona virus. These proteins are recognised by our immune system to produce antibodies.

Other Indian companies like Biological E, Cadila Healthcare and Genova are also in advanced stage of vaccine development.

- 16) Can I roam around without a mask once I am vaccinated?
  - No, not as of now. One may do so only when the majority of the population has either got the disease or received the vaccine. This means the population has developed herd immunity.
- 17) Are newer and better Covid vaccines expected in near future?
  - As of January-21 more than 250 vaccines are under trial in different phases. A lot of research is underway to develop newer delivery methods also. Nasal spray vaccine is probably the most promising. A multi dose nasal spray delivery device can be very convenient and economical. It will produce local IgA antibodies and block the virus at entry itself. It will reduce nasal colonization and thus prevent transmission of disease also. Unfortunately, since it will be a live vaccine, it will need maximum and most stringent trials and thus will take longest time to hit the market.

Covid-19 is still a new disease and we are still learning. . Please re-check the facts before taking a Covid vaccine shot.

No vaccine gives 100% protection. Also, a vaccinated person may not develop disease but may transmit it to others. Please continue to wear mask, observe physical distance and sanitize hands for some more time. Stay safe.

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## OPEN FORUM

### Srisailam

According to belief of the religious, a visit to the holy shrine of Srisailam is equal to two thousand dips in the river Ganga, or living for a million years in the holy town of Kashi. The holy abode of divine deities of Bhramaramba & Mallikarjuna is located in Kurnool district. Srisailam is known as the heaven on earth, one of the twelve Jyotirlinga kshetras in the country.

The kings of yore built a strong fort like structure around Srisailam temple to protect it. They built large entrances on all four sides, and four domes that can be seen from afar.

One of the 18 Shakti Peethas of Adishakti, presided by the deity Bhramaramba, Srisailam is known as the 'Bhramaramba Mallikarjuna Swami' shrine. Considered significant since the 3rd century BC, Srisailam is the second of the twelve Jyotirlingas, the sixth of the Ashtadasha Shakti Peethas and the sixth of the Dasha Bhaskara Kshetras.

Bhramaramba Mallikarjunaswamy Temple is the most famous temple in Srisailam. It has idols of Shiva and Parvati, the former



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worshiped as Lord Shiva and the latter as Goddess Bhramaramba. As Srisailam is one of the 12 Jyotirlingas dedicated to Lord Shiva, Hindus visit this temple considering it very important. They bathe at the Mal-lela Tirtha waterfalls here. Bathing in this water is believed to bring salvation from sins.

Srisailam is also called with different names like Sirigiri, Srigiri, Sriparvatamu, Srisailam etc. Sri means wealth, Shyla means mountain, so Srisailam means a rich mountain. It is also known as Srikailasam.

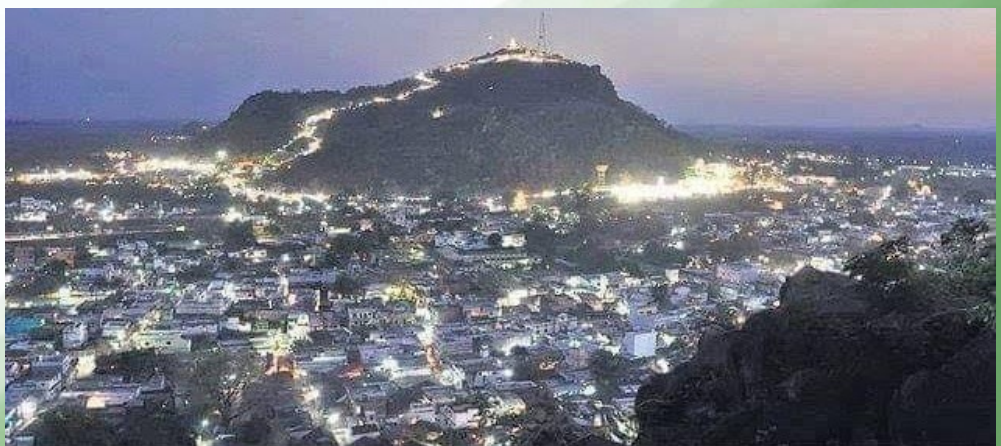
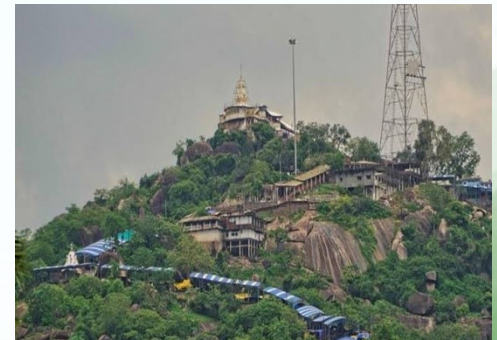
Om Namah Shivaya..Om Sri Matre Namah.

- Compiled by JV Chandra Babu

### Maa Bamleshwari Temple

Dongargarh is a city and municipality in Rajnandgaon District in the state of Chhattisgarh, India and the site of the Famous Maa Bamleshwari Temple. A prominent pilgrim destination in Rajnandgaon District, Dongargarh is derived from the words: Dongarh meaning 'mountains' and garh meaning 'fort'.

The Maa Bamleshwari Devi Temple, situated on a 1,600 feet (490 m) high hilltop, is a popular landmark. It is of great spiritual importance and several legends are associated with this shrine too. Another prominent shrine in the vicinity is Chhoti Bamleshwari Temple. Devotees flock these temples during Navratri. Shivji Temple and temples dedicated to Lord Hanuman are also located here. The ropeway is an added attraction and is the only passenger ropeway in Chhattisgarh.



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## SUPPORT ARENA

### Charity Events in our Community

The festival month of January witnessed various Sistakaranam groups organizing charitable programs in various places.



**Narasanpeta association** distributed essentials and clothing on the eve of Sankranti.



The annual gift giving organized by **Sistakarana Employees' Association of Vizianagaram** for the past decade, was also held this year under the auspices of Presi-

dent Bala Bhaskara Rao, General Secretary Dhulikeswara Rao, Executive Members and Sri Goureswara Rao & Tirupati Rao.



Similarly, as they do every year, **Garividi Sistakarana Sangham** distributed sarees in the presence of President Sri Uma Maheshwara Rao, other members and MP Tirupati Rao,



Our Sistakaranam leader and President of AP Sistakarana Samiti, **Sri Polumanthi Uma Maheshwara Rao**, distributed new clothes,

sarees and blankets to more than 300 poor people at their village **Madanapuram** in Srikakulam district. Sweet packets were distributed on the occasion of the festival.



In the felicitation meet of Gottupalli Sharada (corporation director) and Jagannath Rao, Sistakarana Sangham of Gajapatnagar distributed blankets to 50 families. NCBC member Achari, former association president Jagannathan Rao, State Committee member Sudhakar Patnaik, district secretary Suresh and local leaders participated in the event.

Finally, in the name of "**Sistakaranam Yuvata Sankranti Kanuka**" 21 families in Visakhapatnam were given essential commodities.

### Free Medicines by courier for 100 days:

1. Solcal - Calcium Citrate 1000 mg+Vitamin D3.200 IU+Mg+Zinc.
2. Solfer - XT - Ferrous Ascorbate 100mg+Folic acid 1.5mg(Iron).

- Medicines are WHO-GMP Certified.
- Take your Doctor's approval.
- For Sistakaranam Families.
- Your details will be kept confidential.



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### Community Support to Sai Kiran's Family

Our community relatives and villagers have come forward in a big way, to help the family of Sai Kiran, who was hit by a lorry at Nelimaron on 21-12-2020,

Contributions from our community mounted to Rs. 2.20. Lakhs, while the village folk collected Rs. 7.30 lakhs, for a total of Rs. 9.50 lakhs. A postal deposit has been made in the name of Manapuram Geeta.



### Scholarships For Sistakaranam Students



**Sri Karakavalasa Seetharama Murthy Patnaik & Smt. Karakavalasa Navaneetham Scholarship**

**Sri Vuriti Venkata Ramana & Smt. Vuriti Girija Scholarship**

- For Sistakaranam students who are in their Class 10 and class 12 (sr inter)
- Based on their performances in board exams and other competitive exams.
- Will be awarded directly to students, one time.
- Selection at the end of each academic year.

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# FRATERNITY PAGE — Chhattisgarh

## A Collage of our Chhattisgarh Sistakaranams



A recent get-together of Sistakaranam Familiar=es



The grand old lady Smt R. Sathyavathi wife of late R. Dharma Rao. Retired steam loco driver of S.E.RLY. B.M.Y Charoda. She was born at Tekkali on 01/05/1945 and blessed with four sons, one daughter, eight grand children and one great grand child. All are well settled in Charoda



Smt. M. Venkat Ramanamma wife of late M.R.Patnaik retired Signal Inspector of S.E.RLY. Bhilai. She was born at VSKP on 5 Aug 1941. She is having four sons and one daughter all are well settled. She also has four grand daughters, one grand son, and one great grand daughter.



Picnic of Charoda Unit



An event by Bhilai-Durg circle

# FRATERNITY PAGE — West Bengal



## Grama Seva in Sai Bhagawan's Name

Mantri Haranath Patnaik, and his elder brother Mantri Subhas Sekhar along with all their family members hold weekly & daily Bhajans held at their Home Sai Nivash named after Bhagawan Sri Satya Sai Baba.

Simultaneously, Seva activities for poor people like distribution of clothes, food, free medical checkups, eye checkups are periodically done with other devotees of Bhagawan Satya Sai Baba. All these activities are driven by Sri Mantri Haranath Patnaik, Mantri Subhas Sekhar & their youngest brother Sai Ram, sons of Late Mantri Sundhara Rao.

I am happy to report such activities from Kha-

ragpur to our IkyaVedhika based in Sistakaranam Lekha.

In the Republic day programme on 26 January 2021 in Sai Nivash, we served around the Sai Nivash locality then with the sudden message from Lord Sai we proceeded to Manasa Mata temple for offering puja at Mata's Lotus feet for welfare of Sai Nivash devotee's at Jakpur Village. Further we served there and it's surrounding areas as this year's 1st Grama seva (Grama Seva is Rama Seva) by the grace of Lord Sai.

- M B Gangadhar Kharagpur



# FRATERNITY PAGE — Andhra Pradesh



## Polumahanti Uma Maheshwar Rao felicitated in OBC meet

Sri Polumahanti Umamaheshwar Rao retirement and 60th birthday was celebrated in a meeting held on 10th Jan at Srikakulam, at the local Sunrise Convention Hall.

This meeting was attended by Sri Talloji Achary, National BC commission member. In his address he complemented the current state government on creating 56 BC corporations for the welfare of the BC communities. He also praised the central government for various measures for the upliftment of BC communities in the country.

He also promised the gathering of his support in getting SK community OBC status at national level and assured that the success will be theirs in this mission very soon.

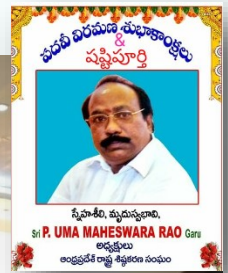
Local politician and former state minister Sri Dharmana Prasad has lauded the work and dedication of Sri P Uma Maheshwar Rao towards the society and that he is a role model for current & future generations.

The meeting started with honouring the couple of Sri P UmaMaheshwara Rao and

Smt Sai Sujatha, amidst the holy vedic rituals.

Telangana State BC Commission members Vakulabharanam Krishna Mohan, Visakhapatnam Parliamentary Constituency In-charge Behara Bhaskar Rao, Telangana Sistakara Sangham State President Dabbiru Venkata Krishna Rao, AP BC Commission Director Pakki Diwakar, Corporation Directors Sadasivuni Krishna, K.V. Ramana

Murthy, OBC Sadhana Committee State Con-venor Simhagiri Patnaik, Srikakulam District President and General Secretary Baliwada Malleswara Rao, Dabbiru Vasu, Memebtrs State and District associations, Walkers Club, BC Welfare Association, and Family members congratulated Sri Uma Maheshwara Rao.



## Toll Plaza Exemption sought

Sri Sadashivuni Krishna, Director, Sistakaranam Corporation, expressed his gratitude to the AP government for setting up 56 corporations and appointing 12 directors for each corporation.

In this regard, he requested for exemption to Directors' vehicles in toll plaza as they are to visit different areas, in a memorandum submitted to District Collector J. Niwas. He also requested for representation as co-opted members in general meetings at the mandal level and major panchayats.



### జీరో జియోట్యాగ్ వేసులుబాటు కోల్పించాలి

(జయంన్యూస్, నరసన్నపేట)

ముఖ్యమంత్రి వైఎస్ జగన్మోహన్ రెడ్డి 56 కార్పొరేషన్లు ఏర్పాటు చేసి ఒక్కో కార్పొరేషన్ కు 12 మంది డైరెక్టర్లు నియమించినందుకు శిష్టకరణ కార్పొరేషన్ డైరెక్టర్ సదాశివుని కృతజ్ఞత వ్యక్తం చేశారు. అందులో కార్పొరేషన్ డైరెక్టర్ల నిర్ణయ ప్రకారం

## Support for Karanala Veedhi Villagers

In the controversial matter of APIIC land disputes in Krishnapatnam, the party's mandal leaders said that the Bharatiya Janata Party would be behind the battle of the Karanala Veedhi villagers. The BJP leaders held a meeting with villagers at Mahalakshmi Temple in Krishnapatnam village on January 31, Sunday evening. They discussed the police cases filed, and enquired about what had happened. The villagers complained that they have been cultivating government land since very long, but the authorities had filed cases, as they had set up boundaries. The families of the victims who are facing cases have informed THE BJP leaders that they are facing non-bailable warrants. The party leaders said that the Bharatiya Janata Party has solidarity with the Villagers of Karanala Veedhi. They assured that they would take up peaceful agitation and fight illegal cases. State, district level Leaders would tour the village and tour. The villagers said the cases were unfair. The event was attended by party leaders and others.



## FRATERNITY PAGE — Andhra Pradesh



### “Sistakaranam Yuvata Andhra Pradesh” Group Formed

During the Corona lockdown, getting introduced through Facebook, and through a Whatsapp group created by Sri Durga Prasad, of Chirala in Andhra Pradesh, Manapuram Suresh Kumar from Visakhapatnam, Venum Veerababu from Rampachodavaram, Avilala Sridhar from Chittoor, Edukondalu from Nellore, Suresh from Kakinada, Patnayakunai Mohan from Nellimarla, these members of the Sistakaranam family interacted with each other over phone about the difficult times faced by the youth of our community being economically backward and affected by unemployment, and thus a group named "Sistakaranam Yuvata Andhra Pradesh" was formed to

give the courage to the youth who are mentally stressed out.

The members of the group have been inspired by the messages of Sekharamantri Mohan Patnaik of Payakaraopeta. Manapursuresh Kumar, who was inspired by this ideology, set up a Google form to collect all details of Sistakaranam families (see the 'Community News' page).

In addition, to facilitate reaching out to our people through various programmes, a calendar with "Sistakaranam Youth Progressive Ideas" has been published, and distributing essential commodities to poor families under the title "Sistakaranam

Yuvata Sankranthi Kanuka" has been organized.

In the coming days, seeking the encouragement distinguished elders doing business in our community to provide employment for youth in their companies, to provide financial support through their trusts, ensuring that we grow into a politically and socially strong force by demonstrating our population is about 3-4 lakhs, are some of the initiatives to be taken up according to the young members, Manapuram Suresh Kumar, Venum Veerababu, Patnaikuni Mohan, Dabbiru Shiva Kishore, Kuppili Durga Prasad and Bhasuri Srinivasa Rao.

### Calendar Releases at Several Places



A new calendar was unveiled at village Jagannathapuram of Bobbili Mandal, under the leadership of village elder Patnaikuni Narayana Rao, Mandal Vice President Sinivas Patnaik, and **Telugu Bharati** President Pakki Ravi Sekhara Satyanarayana Murthy. It was mentioned that our Sistakaranams have BC-D but we should work for OBC. Early birthday greetings were conveyed to the president of the AP Sistakaranam Sangham, Polomahanti Uma Maheshwara Rao. Later, slogans were raised for OBC.



Elsewhere, State Sistakaranam Corporation Director, Pakki Ramakrishna, unveiled the Community calendar at the residence of Vantaram Sriramurthy, President of **Bobbili Area Sistakaranam Sangham**. Speaking on the occasion, he said that having achieved BC-D, we should put our collective efforts to achieve OBC. To get full support of State government, we will take the help of local MLA Shambangi Venkata Chinna Ap-

palanaidu to bring it to the notice of CM Jagan Mohan Reddy. He suggested that the small differences that exist should be put aside. Former district president Polaki Appa Rao, association Vice President P Srinivas Patnaik, Pakki Ramesh, Baggam Sambasiva Rao, P Ramana Rao and others participated in the programme.



The **AP Sistakaranam Association** held Sankranthi celebrations in the Alipuram Sistakaranam Kalyana Mandapam. The New Year calendar was unveiled. Convenor SNK Mahanti said that Visakha has been recognized by appointment of Chairman & Directors of the Sistakaranam Corporation. Artist Naresh Patnaik was honored. Gajapati Rao, B. Haranath, Narsimha Murthy and Nageswara Rao participated in the event.



The New Year calendar was released at the **Sri Sankata Yochana Ganpati Temple** in Gajuwaka. The chief Guest was the temple

trustee, INTUC National General Secretary and State Vice President, and our Sistakaranam stalwart Mantri Rajasekhar. Temple trustee Katha Balakrishna, INTUC leader Neerukonda Ramachandra Rao, P V Ramana and Ramana Reddy also took part in the event.



A calendar with progressive ideas of the youth was published, and bringing together BC Commission Members, Corporation Directors and politically strong leaders, to the same platform the calendar was unveiled. In a function hall near the fourth town police station in Seethampeta, BC commission member Diwakar said that he wishes that the Sistakaranams of the state rise to a higher level economically, socially and politically. Sistakaranam Corporation member Sadashiva Krishna said that about 5 lakh families in the state are Sistakaranams, whereas the government has only 40,000 in its census. YSRCP Visakha Parliamentary Working President Behera Bhaskara Rao, Sistakaranam Yuvata President Manapursuresh Kumar Patnaik, Secretary Baliwada Haribabu Patnaik, Baliwada Appala Narasaiah and others participated in the programme.

## FRATERNITY PAGE — Andhra Pradesh



### Republic Day celebrated at Kancharapalem

On 26-1-2021 at 9 am, Visakha Sisthakarana Seva Sangham, Kancharapalem hoisted the national flag at the residence of Sri Ramanayya garu. President Sri Balivada Appalanarayya, Secretary Sri Balivada Haribabu, Chairman of the Advisory Committee Sri Babu Rao, State OBC Convenor Sri B R M Patro, Murthy Patnaik, Sri Bhasuru Srinivas, Sri Ramanayya, Smt. Ramamani, Pakki Suresh, Satya Rao, Donkada Suryakumar Sen, Koorada Pavani, G Prasad, P Shivaji Patnaik, Ch. Sridhar, Dr Suresh, S Uma Maheshwara Rao, Ramchandra Rao, Sistakarana Yuvata Manapuram Suresh, Veenum Veerababu were present. Patriotic songs were sung by children. In the executive meeting that followed, various activities to be taken up in the future were discussed.



### Award to Sun Murthy

Social analyst from Visakha East constituency and founder of Society for good governance, Mr. Sun Murthy was honored with the service award of JD Foundation, Gopalapatnam.



In a program presided over by the foundation's president Pinnamaneni Srinivas, the award was presented by retired police officer Lakshminarayana, on behalf of representatives of voluntary organisations in various fields. Sun Murthy received this honor for making various suggestions on governance reforms to governments and rulers. He said that the suggestions are being communicated to the administration from time to time to the administration, to facilitate services to the general populace.

Swamiji of Hindu Dharma Parirakshana Samiti, Deputy Superintendent of Police srinivas, Coordinator Balaji and others participated in the event.

### “Let's avoid plastic”

Prominent industrialist MP Janardhan called for everyone to avoid plastic and save the environment. At a meeting of the Kurmannapalem Sistakarana Association, he said that everyone should work for environmental protection. He praised the association for the activities under taken. He promised to work to achieve OBC. He suggested that all should work together to build a better community. District secretary Narasimha Murthy, Sekharamantri Srinivasa Rao, D Satya Rao, Gangavaram Gopi, Ramesh, Babu Patnaik, Nageswara Rao, Gurunadam, Rammohan Patnaik and others participated in the event.



### Shiva Kumar elevated as BJP Morcha President

Sistakaranam's young politician, Sri Baliwada Shivakumar Patnaik of Vijayawada, has been elevated as President, BJP OBC Morcha Vijayawada Parliamentary district unit of BJP. Lekha congratulates Shiva Kumar.



### Best Journalist award to Potnuru Srinivas

In the most prestigious HyBiz TV media award ceremony in Hyderabad, related to the two Telugu states, senior journalist, our Sistakaranam member, Gopalapatnam resident, Pendurti Sistakaranam member, and Hans India staff reporter, Sri Potnuru Srinivas (Vasu) has received the Best Journalist Award, in the best Rural Story Category.



### “Our Goal is Getting OBC”

A meeting of Sistakaranams was held in Pedagantiyada, Nadupur. The chief guest of the meeting was the Chief Secretary of the Visakhapatnam District Sistakaranam Association, Mantri Narasimha Murthy. Speaking on this occasion, he said that Our shishtakarans were included in the BCD under the then Chief Minister YS Rajasekhara Reddy. Today, Hon'ble Chief Minister YS Jaganmohan Reddy has set up a corporation for Sistakaranams and expressed his happiness that they have contributed to their elevation. He urged all members that BC-D certificate be taken from the Mandal Revenue Office. Mantri Narasimha Murthy also expressed his confidence that OBC will be achieved with the cooperation of all community elders and the central and state governments. D Satya Rao, Gangavaram Gopi, Mantri Mahesh, Potnuru Nagesh, Ram Mohan, Babu Patnaik, Shekhar Patnaik, Mantri Sriramulu etc participated in this meeting.

## FRATERNITY PAGE — Telangana



### Ex-Minister Subodhkanth Sahay urges for Joint Effort by Telugu States to Uplift Backward Classes

Former Union Minister and National President of all India Sri Kayastha Mahasabha Subhodh Kant Sahay urged the Chief Ministers of both Telugu states to support the socially and politically backward community of Sistakaranams. The All India Kayastha Mahasabha national president Subhodh Kant Sahay addressed the meeting at the headquarters of the Sistakaranam Welfare Association in Chandanagar, presided by the national convenor of the Sistakaranam OBC Attainment Committee, DV Krishna Rao. He said that whether Sistakaranam, Karanigar, Karanam, we are all Kayashta and we should work towards OBC with unity. He asked the Chief Ministers of Telugu states to do justice to our community. He said that we have appealed to the central government to include us in the OBC list. He mentioned that he has discussed with the members of the BC Commission of both the states for the welfare of Sistakaranams, Karanigars and Karanams.

Sri DV Krishna Rao, national convenor of the

Sistakaranam OBC Sadhana Committee, in his speech appealed to the Central and State Governments to help the Sistakaranam community as it is backward in all areas. Subsequently, Sistakaranam, Karanigar and Karanam members had a meeting with the the All India Kayastha Mahasabha national president Sri Subhodh Kant Sahay. The all-India Kayastha Mahasabha South Indian Convenor Prabhakaran, General Secretary of the Sistakaranam Welfare Association B. Vijay Kumar, Additional General Secretary, All

India Kayastha Mahasabha General Secretary Moturi Narayana Rao, Treasurer Uriti Parvatisham, Vice President R. Seshagiri Rao, Haragopal, Women's Secretary Satyalakshmi, Prakash Rao, Partha Sarathi, Pratap Raj, Ananda Rao, Jayashree, Sesharathnam, Vikas and others participated in the meeting.



### Will work to get Sistakarnams in the OBC list: Talloju Acharya

NCBC Commission member Talloju Achari said that efforts are on to include the Sistakaranam community, which is backward in all areas in both states, in the OBC list. He met the Sistakaranam Welfare Association members at their office in Chandanagar. The member of the NCBC Commission, who responded to the invitation of the

National Sistakaranam OBC Sadhana Committee Convener DV Krishna Rao, said that he is personally intensifying the efforts to include Sistakaranam community in the OBC list definitely, by bringing it to the notice of the central government. BJP leader Kasireddy Bhaskar Reddy, General Secre-



tary of The Sistakaranam Welfare Association B. Vijay Kumar, Vice President Seshagiri Rao, Haragopal, Treasurer Parvathisham, Suman, Naveen, Additional General Secretary Moturi Narayana Rao, Parthasarathy, Prakash Rao, Pratap Raj, Santosh, Harish, Vikas, Shankar Patnaik and others participated in the event.

### Political Assurances don't secure BC: Vakulabharanam to Karanigars

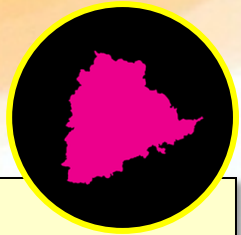
An exercise compiling the financial conditions of community members, illiteracy, unemployment, socio-political standing etc., articulating the same properly and submitting them to relevant departments, appropriate forums and influential political lobbyists should be undertaken, is the advice given by Dr. Vakulabharanam Krishna

Mohan Rao, member of the State BC Commission, to the Karanigar community. At a joint meeting with Telangana Sistakaranam members in Hyderabad, following Deeparadhana and release of calendar, he said that political assurances alone won't help.

In the same meeting, Telangana Sistakaranam President and National OBC Leader Sri Krishna Rao said that though we are called by different names like Pillai, Patnaik, Karanigar and Shishthakaran, we are all the same caste and should help each other. He assured full support to Karanigars for attaining BC status.



# FRATERNITY PAGE — Telangana



## Sistakaranam Welfare Association releases Calendar

The New Year 2021 calendar was released by the Telangana State Sistakaranam Welfare Association in the presence of NCBC Commission Member Talaju Achari, Telangana State BC Commission senior member Dr. Vakulabharaman Krishna Mohan and Chandanagar Division Corporator Manjula Raghunath Reddy. On this occasion, the National Sistakaranam OBC Sadhana Committee Convener and Telangana State Sistakaranam Welfare Committee president DV.

Krishna Rao honored the guests and handed over diaries and mementos published by Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam. The program was attended by Sistakaranam association General Secretary B. Vijay Kumar, Additional General Secretary Moturi Narayana Rao, Treasurer, Uriti Parvateshwar Rao, Women's Secretary Arasada Satyalakshmi, Secretary Shankar Patnaik, Naupada Vikas and others.

### Lekha in Focus

Telangana Sistakaranam Welfare Association's calendar release program saw "Lekha" getting a pride of place amongst those present. The association, congratulating the Lekha team, released the second issue of the newsletter through corporator Manjula Raghunath Reddy.



## Telangana State Sistakaranam Association (TSSKA) holds EC Meeting

Telangana State Sistakaranam Association (TSSKA) had their first EC meeting after the Corona Lockdown, at the BC Bhawan, Himayatnagar Hyderabad on Sunday January 10th at 11:00am.

It was presided by incumbent president Sri M. Jagannadh Rao. It was attended by several members including Vice President Nagesh Kumar, General Secretary Trinadhaswamy, Joint Secretary Mahesh Kumar, Treasurer Satya Prasad, Advisor Narayana Rao and other EC members. After paying homage to the Sistakaranam members who expired during the Corona pandemic time, the listed items on agenda were addressed.

Few action items have been written down to be implemented in the near future.



# FRATERNITY PAGE — AIPSKA

## AIPSKA's "Sankranti Sandadlu"



Videos of activities by our Sistakaranam women folk during Sankranti, Festivities at Kharagpur, and other such presentations feasted the eyes of the audience, in the online "Sankranti Sandadlu" programme conducted by the All India Pravasandhra Sistakaranam Association on January 17, 2021.

The program, which began with the lighting of lamp by Mrs. & Dr. R. Ramji Rao (DGM BHEL), followed by prayer song by Dr. Pallavi Patro, lasted for about three hours. Sri NRB Patnaik (former General Manager SBI) Captain Sergeant Raman Gopal Patnaik (Heart Specialist) were present as Kharagpur guests.

The Honorable President Sri Behara Ramesh Chandra Patnaik (Raipur) and

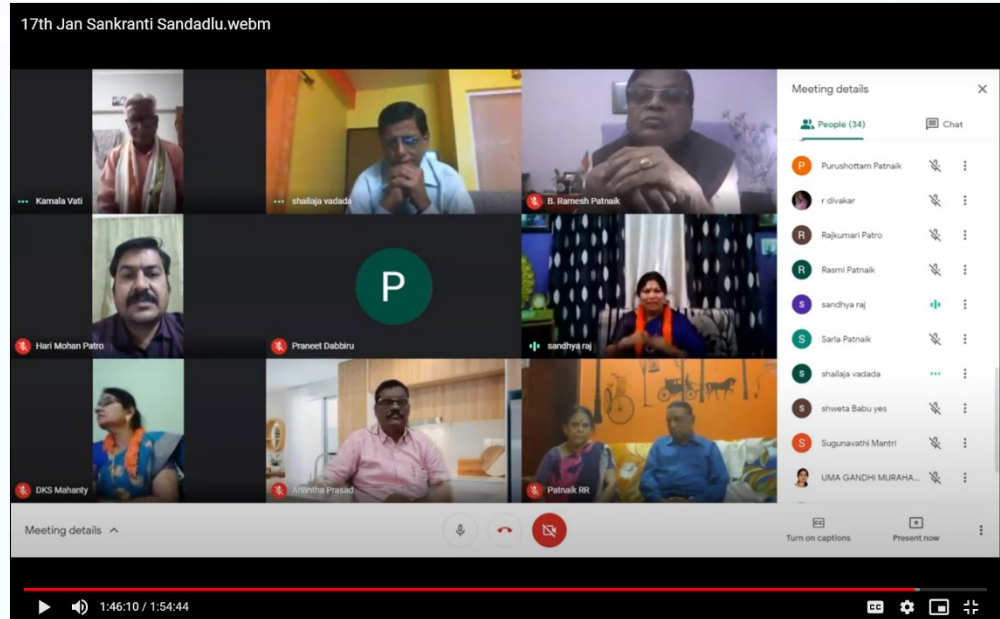


Working President Shri Vadada Uma Maheshwara Rao (Kharagpur) spoke about the activities of the association and informed about future events.

Dr. Smt. Murahari Rao Uma Gandhi (Visakhapatnam), Vice President Dr. Chaudhary Prasad (Bangalore) and Sri Donkada Ananta Prasad (Hyderabad) participated in the program as special guests and dwelt on the history of our Sistakaranam

community.

Sri Baliwada Harimohan Patro designed the programme, and with technical support from Shri Praneeth Dabburu (Nagpur) and Sri Vinay Dabburu (USA), Mrs. Sandhya Raj and Mrs Dasamanta Rao Anuradha performed the role of comperes. The programme ended with a with a Vote of Thanks by Mrs. Baliwada Madhavi Patro.



## 1st issue of Quarterly "Sista Velugu" released



AIPSKA released their first issue of the Quarterly magazine named "Sista Velugu" in a grand launch ceremony on Friday, 01-01-2021 at 8:00 pm.

The grand old lady of our community, 90 year old Smt. Nagamantri Seshu Bai, wife of Late Sri. Nagamantri Narsingh Rao retired Chief Yard Master of S. E. Railway, Raipur was the Chief Guest for the occasion, which was presided over by Smt. Y. Rajkumari Patro, Patron - AIPSKA, who also released the newsletter.

The impressive 16 page newsletter carried messages from prominent members of AIPSKA, highlighted the various talents of several of our community members, chronicled the various events that have been conducted by AIPSKA in its short tenure, and covered notable achievers in our community including those who attained celebrity status. A couple of articles were also presented in Telugu.

Release of the first issue of Lekha was also covered in Sista Velugu.



## FRATERNITY PAGE — KALAM SNEHITULU

### Innovative Events of January

### Family Introductions

Family members were introduced in a wonderful, empathising way, in an event marking the Sankranti celebrations of "Kalam Snehitulu". About 100 members participated giving their family introductions.

In the words of Baliwada Satya Rao... మనం మనం పరిచయం ఎందుకో ఎందుకో?

ఈ తావత్రయం ఎందుకో

చెట్టు కొకరు పుట్టకొకరు

చెల్లాచెదురైనాం

ఉద్యోగం వ్యాపారం

వ్యవహారం రీత్యా

పిల్లా పాపలు చదువులకోసం

ఈ వయనం అందలం కోసమే

కులం కూడ దన్నుంటే

గుమ్మటమవుదుందని

తెలుసుకో!

ఆర్థికం గా బాగున్నా

సంఘీభావం కాలేకున్నాం

ఎందుకో ఈ విడివడి

బ్రతుకుతెరువు దూరం

తప్ప బంధాలకు కాదని

ఋజువు చేద్దాం

కలం స్నేహం

కలుపుతుంది

మనలను

పనులెన్నోన్నా గాని

చేయి చేయి కలవడం

చేయూత నివ్వండి

మన బంధు ఎక్కడెక్కడున్న

అడ్రసు గల్లంతవుతున్నాం

అందుకో కలం పిలుపు

ఆనందం పంచుకోనుండి..

మనవార్ల లక్షల్లో ఉన్న

లెక్క తప్పుతుంది

నర్తన లెక్కల కోసం

సంఘీభావం చేద్దాం

ఎందరో మేధావులకు

వందనాలతో

And in the words of Sri Gauri Prasad Karakavalasa ...

వండుగతో మన కుటుంబపరిచయాలు..

అనందాతిసాయాలు..

కనుమరోజున కులాసాగా..

కమనీయ ముచ్చట గొలిపే..

కుటుంబాచిత్రాలతో..

కలంస్నేహితులుమే కాదు

కులబంధువులమే అనిబాటిచెప్పే..

మనం కలం స్నేహితుల గ్రూప్..

ఇంకా మునుముందుకు

దూకుడుగా దూసుకెళ్తా..

సాహిత్య రంగంలో,

సాహితీ వేత్తలుగా మిగులుదాం..

శిష్టకరణ జాతికి పేరును తెద్దాం..

తెలుగు వెలుగై.. ప్రకాశింప చేద్దాం

వాడ..వాడల,దేశ,విదేశ స్థాయిలో..

పరిచయమైన వారందరికీ వందనాలు..

### Poems on innovative picture mask



On 25/01/21, more than 50 poets presented their poems in the program "Chitrakavita". Outstanding poems abound in the event. We all wondered that there can be many so poems on the mask. That is the greatness of the Sistakaranam pen. Thanks to all those who participated with the poems on the picture. This is how we prove that the Karanam pen is hot and sharp, said the organizers Sri Gauri Prasad and admins of the group.

### Contextual Poetry Event

On 26-1-2021, on the occasion of the Sovereign Republic Day of India, members of "Kalam Snehitulu" glorified the "Republic Day" as part of the "Contextual Poetry" event which was presided over by Shri Kuppli Bhimeshwara Rao. 45 poets expressed their patriotism in literary form.

- Compiled by: JV Chandrababu

### A Union of Poetic Hearts

ఆత్మీయ కలియక

కరణము లెల్లరూకలిసే... కలముతోడఁ..

జగతిని వెలిసే..... ప్రగతితోడ..

తెలుగు బాషాభిమానులై..

వెలుగువరిచే..కులస్తుల,సాహిత్య,కళాకారులందరును

ఏకమై, మమేకమై , బృందమై...ఏకధాటిగా..

సాహిత్య కార్యక్రమా లలో నిమగ్నమై...

దిన..దిన..ప్రవర్ధమానమై...

"కలం స్నేహితులు"...బృందం.....

ఒకే వేదికపై.. ఆత్మీయ కలియకై...

On 31/01/2021Day, at the invitation of Kalam Snehitulu President Baliwada Sathya Rao to his home, Dr Dabbiru Govinda Rao Master and his wife, Admin Sarvashree Karakavalasa Gauriprasad, another admin Balivada Haribabu, members Jaggumantri Sravani with spouse, Behara Rajesh, Balwada Sudhir with spouse, Baliwada Indira and Behara Revati attended what turned out to be a Spiritual Poetry celebration event, that marks a good development in moving this alliance (family) together! Special thanks to Shri Baliwada Sathya Rao for initiating the meeting and ensuring its success. The forthcoming release of the book containing the events taking place in the Kalam Snehitulu group was also discussed.

Compiled by: JV Chandrababu, Kalam Snehitulu, Hyderabad.



### "Bhale Sahasam" honored in Children Story Competition

The story of our Sri B V Patnaik, Parvathipuram has been selected for general publication in the children's stories competition organized by Visakha Sanskriti Monthly Magazine. Of the 31 stories selected, there is only one from our Sistakaranam writers. Congratulations to Mr. Patnaik.



కలం స్నేహితులు

## FRATERNITY PAGE — BUSINESSMAN



### The Definition of MSME

MSME means Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. Govt. of India, Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises brought out a comprehensive Act known as MSME Development act 2006 to give legal entity to this sector.

The Act classifies Enterprises into two categories. They are:

1. Manufacturing Enterprises, where the enterprise is engaged in the production of Goods, Say - A pen, A pencil, A Machine, Soaps, Cosmetics, Mobile phone Etc.

2. Enterprises rendering Services, for Example, Transport Service, Hotels, Consultancy, Testing Labs etc.

Classification of MSME

Type of enterprise	Investment Limit	Turnover
Micro	Rs 1 crore	Rs 5 crore
Small	Rs 10 crore	Rs 50 crore
Medium	Rs 50 crore	Rs 250 crore

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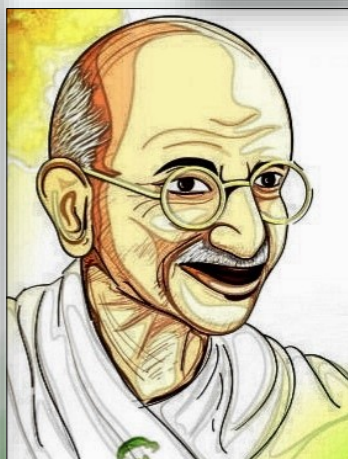
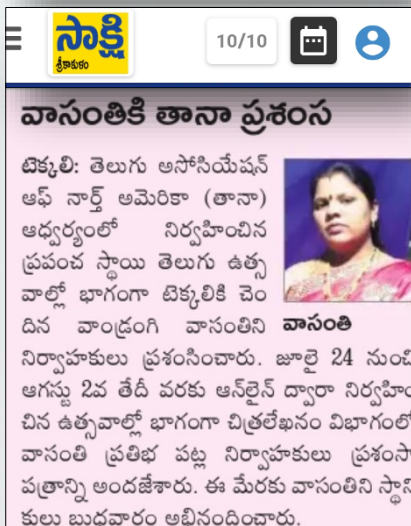
# TALENT CORNER

## Vandrangi Vasanthi's Flair for Painting

Vandrangi Vasanthi of Tekkali is making a name for herself with her painting skills.

In a global level three-tier online painting competition in the Telugu Cultural Fest 2020 conducted by the Telugu Association of North America (TANA), she has earned the highest praise from the organizers who awarded her a certificate of appreciation. She has been appreciated in several online events that she participated during the Corona lockdown.

She said that she was always passionate about painting since her childhood. After her marriage, her husband Vandrangi Sitarama Nagendra Prasad has given her full encouragement to become a technical teacher in painting as well as to participate in painting competitions.



## KARANAM WORLD

### Dr. Chowdari Prasad - Banker, Professor, Community Stalwart

For Sistakaranams in Hyderabad and Bangalore, Prof. Dr. Chowdari Prasad needs no introduction. Indeed, he is well known all over in social circles as a very active person connecting with our community at various places in India that he has lived or visited. And, of late, as someone who is connecting Sistakaranams all over the world, thanks to his internet savvy ways.

Professionally, he started his career in Andhra Bank, in April 1971, and moved to SBI, Hyderabad in Nov 1971 where he grew to be Chief Manager in 1990, gaining exposure in general banking, foreign exchange and agricultural finance working at Hyderabad and Mumbai. He retired voluntarily in April 1993.

He worked as Vice President of three companies viz., Wonder Granites Pvt Ltd., Leafin Financial Services Ltd and The Vysya Bank Leasing Ltd., between 1993 and 1999 before switching to academics. He started as Associate Professor cum Chairman-Admissions and moved up as Professor and Dean (Planning and Development) at TAPMI, Manipal; worked as Professor cum Reg-

istrar at Alliance Business School; as Dean (P&D) at IFIM Business School; as Dean, RIMS Bangalore; and as Academic Advisor of Shantha Group of Institutions, Bangalore during the years between 1999 and 2019.

He presented / published 30 research papers at national and international conferences on topics like banking, management education, entrepreneurship, etc. He was a member of Board of Studies of several institutions and editorial member of journals. He is life member of IIBF, AIMA, ISTD and SBI Pensioners Association.

Prof Chowdari Prasad has been conferred an Honorary Doctorate in Commerce by University of Swahili, Panama, in 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand.

He was active in Lions Club, Manipal for 15 years and was President for 2013-14.

He has travelled widely to Hong Kong, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Luxemburg, Morocco, Shanghai & Australia.

His areas of interest are Academic Administration, Banking, Financial Services, Business Laws, Entrepreneurship, Micro Finance, Rural Development, Industrial Relations, Branding & Promotions, Business Law, Ranking/Accreditation of B-Schools.

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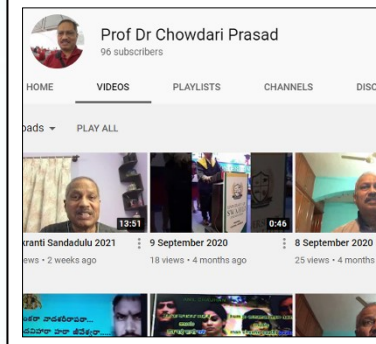
Prof. Dr. Ch. Prasad with former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam at TAPMI in 2014.



Receiving an award from then Union HRD Minister, Dr Shashi Tharoor in 2013

#### The YouTuber!

Dr. Chowdari Prasad is a good singer. He often indulges in Karaoke singing, and has posted them in YouTube ("Chowdari Prasad" - YouTube) as also StarMaker App (close to 3,000 songs in Hindi and Telugu; Solo, Ghazals and Duets).



#### His Family

Dr. Prasad's wife Mrs Ganga Prasad, BSc., BE., is a retired Principal and now engaged in Online Teaching of CueMaths to young students. Their only daughter Mrs Sravanthi Chowdari, BE, MBA, married to Mr Krishna Kumar, worked as a Marketing Manager for five years in two leading companies in Bangalore. They now live in Melbourne, Australia.

His parents are late Sri Chowdari Shanmukha Rao & Smt Chowdari Sugunavathi. His native place is Kotabommali in Srikakulam district, AP. He was born at Salur town, on 19 Oct 1952.



At Lions Club, Manipal, celebrating his sixtieth birthday, with Lions, Lionesses and Cubs.

# VIVAHA VEDIKA



## Vivaha Vedika వివాహ వేదిక



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

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Surname	KANTIMAHANATHI
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Complexion	Fair
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Surname	KOTA
Father's Name	RAMU
Gotram	VASISTA
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Complexion	
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Complexion	Fair
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Height	5'3"
Complexion	
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Complexion	
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Complexion	
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Complexion	
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Father's Name	VENKATESWARA RAO
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Gotram	NAGESWARA
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Nakshatram	BHARANI
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Complexion	
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# VIVAHA VEDIKA

## Prospective Grooms



Name	RAHUL ROY
Surname	BALIVADA
Father's Name	
Gotram	
Date of Birth	17-Sep-1990
Nakshatram	MAKHA
Height	5'6"
Complexion	
Occupation	MANAGER AGAPPE DIAGNOSTIC
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Name	GOWRI MOHAN PATRO
Surname	BALIVADA
Father's Name	SHIVA SANKARA RAO
Gotram	SANDILYA
Date of Birth	14-Feb-1991
Nakshatram	DHANISTA
Height	5'9"
Complexion	
Occupation	VIZAG SEA PORT PVT LTD
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Surname	BALIVADA
Father's Name	SRINIVAS KUMAR
Gotram	SANDILYAMUN I
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Nakshatram	PUSHYAMI
Height	5'5"
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	CHECKING OFFICER RGIA - vegilience-INDIGO airlines
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Name	RAVI KUMAR
Surname	BANDARU
Father's Name	RAMA KRISHNA
Gotram	KASYAPIWTRAS YA
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Nakshatram	HASTA
Height	5'7"
Complexion	
Occupation	MANAGER DELIOTTE
Address	
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Name	SANTOSH
Surname	BARLI
Father's Name	SATTI RAJU
Gotram	KOUSHIKA
Date of Birth	4-Nov-1989
Nakshatram	
Height	
Complexion	
Occupation	BUSINESS CONSTRUCTION
Address	VISAKHAPATNAM
Contact No.	9618325609

Name	RAJESH KUMAR
Surname	BEHARA
Father's Name	
Gotram	
Date of Birth	8-Dec-1985
Nakshatram	
Height	5'8"
Complexion	
Occupation	GROUP "B" EMPLOYEE RAILWAY
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Name	NEELACHAL PATNAIK
Surname	BEHARA
Father's Name	MALLESWARA RAO
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Date of Birth	25-Jul-1986
Nakshatram	PURVABHAADRA
Height	168CM
Complexion	
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Name	MANI SHYAM PATRO
Surname	BEHARA
Father's Name	B.M.PATRO
Gotram	NAGESWARA
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Nakshatram	ASHLESHA
Height	5'10"
Complexion	Fair
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Name	CHIRANJIVI
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Gotram	ULKESWARA
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Height	
Complexion	
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Name	MALLIKARJUN
Surname	BELAGAM
Father's Name	KAMESWARA RAO
Gotram	ULKESWARA
Date of Birth	16-Dec-1990
Nakshatram	JYESTA
Height	5'5"
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	SOFTWARE ENGINEER CYBAGE
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Name	SAI KIRAN
Surname	BHASURU
Father's Name	VENU GOPALA RAO
Gotram	BARADWAJA
Date of Birth	4-Oct-1993
Nakshatram	BHARANI
Height	5'7"
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	Sr.ASST AUROBINDO PHARMA
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Name	SAGAR
Surname	BHOGELO
Father's Name	B.V.G.KRISHNA
Gotram	BARADWAJA
Date of Birth	10-Aug-1990
Nakshatram	UTTARABHADRA
Height	5'11"
Complexion	Fair
Occupation	SAMSUNG
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Name	SANTOSH PATNAIK
Surname	BONDHU
Father's Name	GOWRI PATNAIK
Gotram	GOUTHAMAHA MUNI
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Nakshatram	
Height	
Complexion	
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Name	V DURGA PRASADA RAO
Surname	BEHARA
Father's Name	B.V.MALLESWAR RAO
Gotram	
Date of Birth	30-May-1985
Nakshatram	CHITTA
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Complexion	
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## TRADITIONAL TREASURES

### Karanam Vernacular

Some of us have never heard it. Some of us have sweet memories of our elders speaking in that language when we were kids. A very few of us picked it up, and try to use it even today.

Lekha brings to you some simple words and phrases of our Karanam vernacular, which might be on the verge of extinction. Hope you will relish it.

English Word/Phrase	Karanam Vernacular
1. Mom	maa
2. Dad	bappo
3. Brother	bhai
4. Maternal Aunt (Mom's younger sister)	sannamma
5. Paternal Uncle (Dad's younger brother)	sannabappo
6. Paternal Uncle (Dad's elder brother)	peddabappo
7. Come here	intha asu
8. Sit	bosu
9. Eat	kavvo
10. To go	bajaousu na
11. To speak	kota kov
12. Eye	akki
13. Did you eat?	batho kaise na
14. Have you cooked?	Randa vaijesina
15. Which curry did you make?	ke tuno randusu.
16. Butter Milk	cholla
17. Curd	doyi
18. Milk	dudo
19. Paramannam (Sweet rice)	Khiri
20. Avakaya (Pickle)	vadaga
21. Pulusu (A kind of soup)	ambila
22. Cooked Rice	battho
23. 7 vegetables soup	sathokodiya ambila
24. Adida (A kind of dessert)	vatakali
25. Garelu (A snack, Vada)	garene
26. Boorelu (A sweet snack)	bodane
27. Moong dal	mugo
28. Rice	chavlo
29. Jaggery	gudo
30. Head	mondo

### Surya Namskar

Surya Namaskar is the means of connecting Yogasanas and pranayamas. Hence it comes between the sacrament exercises and Yogasanas. Relaxes the body. It prepares for the rest of the Asanas and Pranayama. Usually, one stands in front of the sun and practices the following mantra at dusk.

"Hiranmayena praanitha satya vyapi hitam mukhyam

Tatvam pushan apaavrunnu satya dharmayadrushtaye "

"O Lord Surya! Thy image is closing the gate of truth like the lid of a vessel. Open thy door to guide me to the truth.

The methods of Surya Namskar (Sun worship) are mainly two. In one way, there are 12 steps and in another 10. The Surya Namaskar is made up of "om", the appropriate seed mantra and combined with the appropriate name of the Sun name in the

following order.

1. om hram mitrayanamah
2. om hrim ravayanamah
3. om hroon suryayanamah
4. om hraum bhanavenama
5. om hraum khagayanama
6. om hrah pushhnamenama
7. om om hram hiranya garbhayanamah
8. om hrim maarichaye namah
9. om hroom adityayanamah
10. om hraum savitrenamah
11. om hrau arkayanamah
12. om hrah bhaskarayanamah

- Gumpaswami Karakavalasa,  
Vizianagaram.



## IKYA VEDIKA ROUND UP

### Update on Initiatives

**SKILLS SHARE:** We had our next session on Jan 30 with eminent faculty of Aadhya group of institutions Sri Ashok Reddy. He talked on the various options available for the students pursuing/completed 10+2 CEC, MEC, BA BCom. He has shared the best practices from their Institution success stories. One of the key points he stressed was exposing to students to the businesses during their study thru internships. He believes that this will prepare the students to current requirements to land a job and also gives them idea on the areas of improvement during their college duration.

**WEBSITE:** Work on our website has progressed at a notable pace. The prototype of the work done so far was demonstrated to the audience in a couple of weekly meetings in January. It is expected that a formal launch of the website will be done soon.

**VIVAHA VEDIKA:** A significant initiative that took off in January is that of Matrimonials. The 'Vivaha Vedika' team has started on-the-ground-work and is reaching out to our community. Lekha is now carrying few pages of prospective brides and grooms. This will also be a part of our website



Ikyavedika Digital Team

where additional tools are provided like search criteria etc We request you all to connect to this popular initiative and build a bigger pool.

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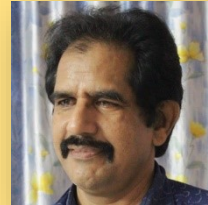
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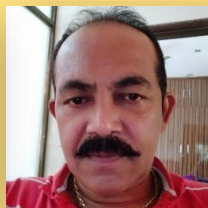
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### Lekha Calls Out To You

The Idea behind the newsletter is to rebuild the connect among all our community members and build on our sense of pride/togetherness. The newsletter will act as platform for expressing our views, success and sharing news.

The newsletter comes in a PDF format only, and we request you all to propagate it among our community members once you receive it.

Everyone in our community is welcome to

contribute to the newsletter. If you have anything that you would like to share, or would want to contribute regularly, please reach out to us.

