

Minutes of the Meeting held on January 23rd, 2021.

Time: 7:30 pm

Members Present: 20

A R K Rao	Arun Kumar	Bala Gangadhar
Chandra Babu JV	Chanti	Gourang Behara
Mohan Kumar	Murali Bandaluppi	Naraharinath Sekharamantri
Narasimha Rao Mantri	Naresh KP Dasimantri	Prasad Komarty
Ravi Karakavalasa	Renuka J	Renuka Patnaik
Sridhar Avilala	Sridhar Dabbiru	Srinivasa Lumburu
Srinivasa Rao Bhasuri	Suresh Dabbiru	

- It was noted that members of our community from different states participated in this meeting:
 - Telangana – 13
 - Andhra Pradesh – 3
 - Chhattisgarh – 1
 - West Bengal – 1
 - Delhi/NCR – 1
 - Unidentified – 1

Points Covered

- **Entrepreneurship Financing aspects**

Led by ARK Rao and Sridhar Dabbiru, the house discussed various aspects of financing, especially from the banking and government sector entities like DC-

MSME (Development Commissioner [Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises]) & NSIC (National Small Industries Corporation) touching on topics like the CLCSS (Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme) etc.

It was suggested that Ikyavedika should explore conducting special programmes on this subject, initially online and subsequently physically on a larger scale.

● **Vivaha Vedika**

With significant inputs from Srinivasa Lumburu, Bala Gangadhar, Srinivasa Rao Bhasuri, ARK Rao, Naresh, Renuka and others, a clear plan of action was put in place. (Please see the “Action Items” table below.)

● **New Pages in Lekha**

Naraharinath presented to the house 3 new proposed sections/pages in the newsletter Lekha:

1. Matrimonials
2. Regular articles giving advice to Entrepreneurs
3. Articles on Karanam Language

Respective Members & Teams have been asked to do the needful to add these in future issues of Lekha. There is a high possibility that the next issue of Lekha will have at least the first 2 listed above.

Action Items:

<i>From Current Meeting</i>			
Broad Initiative	Action proposed	Member Responsible	Approximate E.T.A
Vivaha Vedika	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A separate core WhatsApp group to be created with members identified from different states/areas. Srinivasa Lumburu, Bala Gangadhar, Sireesha, Srinivasa Rao Bhasuri, ARK	Naresh Dashimantri	Sat, Jan 30, 2021

	<p>Rao, Naresh, Renuka are some of the members to be in the group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A format for grooms/brides information to be finalized. • To reach out to various groups already doing this and to consolidate all data. States of Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Odisha can be worked on initially. • To draw up a short-list of brides/grooms to be published in the newsletter Lekha and in our website. • Subsequently, to evaluate the feasibility of other platforms such as an online “Swayamvaram”. <p><i>(Action items from previous meetings are merged into the above list.)</i></p>		
Community Business Platform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate sessions/programmes to be planned on promoting Entrepreneurship in our community (with ARK Rao and Sridhar). • To create a video explaining this initiative, to be shared with those who would be interested. <p><i>(Action items from previous meetings are merged into the above list.)</i></p>	Narasimha Rao Mantri	Sat, Feb 6, 2021
<i>Other Action Items Carried forward from previous Minutes of Meeting</i>			
Broad Initiative	Action proposed	Member Responsible	Approximate E.T.A
Skills Development (and Mobilizing Youth)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soft Skills Development sessions to be considered. • Concerned team to look at possible sessions or programmes for Guidance on Entrepreneurship for Product based businesses • A separate WhatsApp group to be created for participants. • To start planning sessions a different day of the week. Suggested topics: Information Technology; Spoken English. • Youngsters present in the meeting to help reach out to more youngsters in the community. 	Narasimha Rao Mantri	Sat, Feb 6, 2021

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career counseling for Intermediate CEC group students to be taken up 		
General Benefits to Community	Another longer session on legal aspects of Property inheritance and Wills by Kuppili Muralidhar, in a special meeting.	Naresh Dashimantri	Sat, Feb 6, 2021
Website	Excel sheet of data of the local business people	Chandrababu JV	Sat, Feb 6, 2021
Member Data Collection	Formal Launching of the Form	Ravi Karakavalasa	Sat, Feb 6, 2021

Meeting ended at 9:30 p.m.