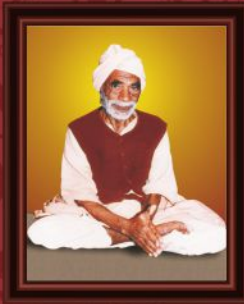


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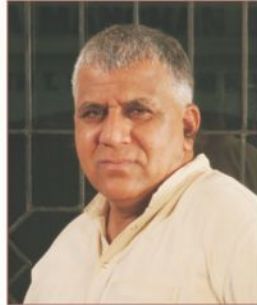
Rev. Sidh Bhau Saheb



Rev. Mrs. & Mr. Chellaram Kripalani during their visit to Sant Hirdaram Kutiya, Ahmedabad

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Message from Rev. Sidh Bhau Saheb



I convey my heart-felt congratulations to the trustees, volunteers and all those associated with Sant Hirdaram Swami Basantram Sewa Trust on publication of the first issue of ANMOL RATAN. The news magazine will prove its worth like ANMOL MOTI, being published by Jeev Sewa Sansthan from Sant Hirdaram Nagar (Bhopal), conveying the service messages and various activities carried out in a particular quarter.

On this auspicious occasion I salute the philanthropists across the world who have been extending their helping hand for carrying out various benevolent activities as per the following golden service philosophy of Paramhans Sant Hirdaram Sahib:

"The old, the infirm and the children
Are real forms of God
Serve them with body and soul
And win laurels of the Lord"

In fact, we make a living by what we get; but, we make a life by what we give. In today's materialistic world, no one has time to ponder over how to worship God. Paramhans Santji has shown us the simplest and easiest way for worshiping God. Serving the old, the infirm and the children is equivalent to worshiping the Almighty in human form. Who knows that He has chosen us as His ambassadors and sent us on this planet for the very purpose of redressing the sufferings of His creation who are helpless, who are in misery, who need help ! Their blessings definitely bring eternal bliss, lot of happiness and all sorts of comforts in one's life and the souls of the persons extending help, illuminate internally feeling the Almerciful within. This state of contentment can only be experienced and felt and cannot be described in words. I wish everyone must taste the fruits of SEWA (SERVICE) in one's life. More the SEWA, more is the degree of such fulfilment and the more it is selfless, the more is its impact.

In materializing the above service philosophy, equally important is the contributions of the volunteers. They are fortunate that they are involved in the noble mission without whose selfless service the benevolent activities could have not been carried out so smoothly.

God bless and wish you all the best

'BOL GURU NANAK DEV KI JAI'

Yours, in His service,

SIDDH

From Editor's Desk



Satguru ki sewa safal hai,
jeko kare chit laye

Our great Saint Brahmleen Sant Hirdaram Sahebji's one word mission was SEWA. He emphasized on NISHKAM sewa of the old, the infirm and the children who are the loving forms of God.

Blessed by H.H.Sant Hirdaram Sahebji during his visit to Ahmedabad on 19th February, 1995, the formation of Sewa Trust was conceived and a humble beginning was made to provide selfless services to the less privileged and marginalized sections of the society.

Lord Krishna in the Geeta has said "Only the change is permanent" – and from 1995 till date almost everything, except "NISHKAM SEWA", has changed at Sant Hirdaram Swami Basantram Sewa Trust. With continuous inspiration of Rev. Sidh Bhau Saheb and the kindness of donors, we are now placed in a beautiful Darbar Saheb and the scope as well as area of activities has increased manifold.

With a view to spread Swamiji's blessings and Rev. Sidh Bhau Saheb's motivation, among more and more people, it has been decided to bring out a quarterly in-house magazine and I am pleased to present its maiden issue in your hands.

We were fortunate to have the visit of Rev. Dada Chellaram Kripalani and Rev. Mrs. Asha C. Kripalani on January 10, 2013. During the visit they were highly impressed about the activities of our Trust and assured all possible help to reach to many more poor, needy and deserving people of the society. Rev.Dadaji during this visit launched the website of the trust www.santhirdaram.in and Rev. Matashri gave certificates to the girls who completed their Gurumukhi learning course.

During ensuing vacation, to make the best use of available time of students, we are planning a Summer Camp in various courses like English Speaking, Personality Development, etc. Details of such courses shall be announced soon. Lastly, this is exams season and I take this opportunity to wish all those appearing for exams - Best of Luck!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Murli Golani', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Murli Golani

Gist of Activities

Activities of our Trust can be broadly classified into the following four categories:

1 FOOD - THE BASIC NEED OF EVERY ONE

2 HEALTH

3 EDUCATION

4 UPLIFTMENT

Details of each activity

A. FOOD GRAIN DISTRIBUTION

On every 3rd Sunday of the month free food grain kits are distributed to more than 450 registered poor families. The sponsors of this activity are Resp. Dada Kan Lakhani, Jai Shivshakti Health & Education Foundation, Resp. Dada Nari Dadlani and others. Food grains cards are issued after due verification of the applications.

In order to ensure that the food grains given by our Trust is sufficient to each card holder, a survey is being conducted to get full details of the family covering family members, monthly income, marital status, house details, etc. On completion of the survey work by April 2013, a modality will be worked out to revise the quantity of food grains / items. Other needs of the poor families shall also be looked into once the survey is over.

We are hopeful of announcing good news on this front in our next issue of Anmol Ratan.



B. HEALTH

- i. On every 2nd & 4th Sunday free medical camp is conducted at our premises by Dr. Naresh Himthani (Apollo Hospital). Around 100 registered patients take advantage of this camp. New patients are also attended. Patients are provided not only free medical consultation but also given free medicines.
- ii. Besides this, medicines prescribed by other doctors / hospitals are also given to every poor and needy patient approaching us, any day.
- iii. In addition to this, financial help is provided to the poor patients undergoing major operations and costly treatments.
- iv. The Trust periodically conducts blood donation camps, eye check up, cataract operation camps, and thalassaemia awareness camps.



During the first quarter of the year, financial assistance was provided to some of the patients who underwent major operations, viz.

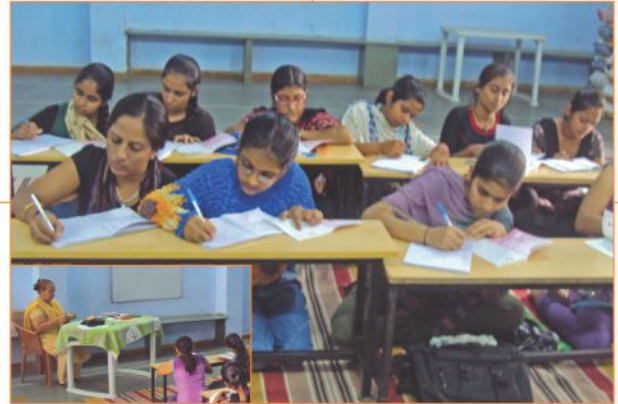
- **Harsh K. Hirani** : 8 years old boy is suffering from Thalassaemia major. He is from Vijapur, Dist. Mehsana. His Bone Marrow Transplant at CMC Hospital, Vellore is scheduled for the month of September, 2013.
- **Deepak Kotwani** : Aged : 32 years. Is the only bread winner of his family of five members. Due to heart stroke, he had been admitted in U. N. Mehta Hospital. After successful angioplasty, he has been back home & started normal routine work.
- **Kanaylala Khilwani** (Kadi) : Aged 60 years. Due to heart problem, he had been admitted in the U.N.Mehta Hospital for bye-pass surgery. Financial assistance for his operation has been paid directly to the hospital. His surgery was done on March 14, 2013.
- **Harsh Jaiswal** : Aged 40 years. He is an auto rickshaw driver supporting the family of six members. House is rented. Wife is a card holder (No. 50). They approached us for 2nd operation on leg for removal of rod inserted earlier due to the fracture. After successful operation on 14.2.2013, we have seen smile on his face again and he has been back to his routine job.
- **Suresh Advani** : A young man working in factory with very poor financial background suddenly developed vision problem. With the treatment from eye specialist and neuro physician, he is responding to the treatment and is hopeful of regaining his lost vision.
- **Yash Budhrani** : Aged 11 Years belongs to Balaghat (MP). He is suffering from Thalassaemia major. He has been admitted in CMC Hospital, Vellore for BMT. The operation cost is around Rs. 35.00 lakh. BMT has been successfully carried out. We pray to God for his speedy recovery.



Photo Gallery



Shahi Savari of Guru Granth Saheb at Kutiya



Girls learning Gurmukhi at Kutiya



Launching of Website by
Rev. Mrs. & Mr. Chellaram Kripalani



Presentation of memento
Rev. Mrs. & Mr. Chellaram Kripalani



Visit of Respected Dada Nari Dadlani &
Didi Pushpa Motwani



Visit of Respected Dada Kan Lakhani &
Shri Mahesh Dayaramani



Computer gifted to an Engineering Student



Computer gifted to an Engineering Student



Cycle donated to a deserving school student



Birthday blessings and gift to student of tuition centre



Shri Kanayo Hemnani during his visit to Kutiya



S/Shri Kanayo & Arjan Tewani during their visit to Kutiya

C. EDUCATION

- i Since 2005, the Trust runs tuition classes for students of I to X standards particularly for those who are studying in Government schools. The number of such children now is 90. We have engaged six part-time qualified teachers for these tuition classes. These children are also exposed to extra-curricular activities periodically.



- ii. The Trust adopts children of poor families and meets their expenses for education. The financial help is limited to Rs.7000/- per annum. During this quarter the Trust has adopted six more students under its Child Adoption Programme taking the total students adopted till date to 66. Of these 41 are sponsored by Jai Shivshakti Health & Education Foundation, Bangalore and 25 by Jeev Sewa Sansthan, Sant Hirdaram Nagar. The photographs of some of the students adopted in this quarter are as under:



Alka Bhagwani-12th



Sumit Ramnani-2nd



Muskan Chothani-3rd



Barkha Isranni-10th



Khushboo Sindhwani-5th



Harsh Chandnani-2nd

- ii. Like every year, this year also scholarship is given to the meritorious students, based on their Xth and XIIth standard results. The second installment of current year's scholarship was given to **21 SSC students** and **36 HSC students** on 26.1.2013.
- iii. Our Trust also gives financial assistance to the poor but brilliant students for pursuing higher studies in professional courses like CA, MBA, Engineering, etc. The total number of such students given financial assistance is 32. Payment is made to them by cheques whenever the fees become payable.

On completion of professional courses, two students, who had availed financial assistance from our Trust, got jobs. They are: Ravi Advani (BE – Chemical Engineering) who got job in Baroda & Mahesh Sindhi (MBA – Marketing) working in Mumbai. They not only financially support their poor parents but have promised to give back to the society by helping other poor students.



D. UPLIFTMENT

i. House Repairs

In the recent past, our Trust has started repairs and renovation of kuchha houses. Survey is undertaken for the houses which have no sanitation facilities. In absence of this, with the growing children, the poor families are living in shameful conditions. The trust has been carrying out this activity with the financial support of Jai Shivshakti Health & Educational Foundation. Some of the houses which have been repaired / renovated, during the first quarter of 2013, are as under :

- **Sunita Choithani**
Flooring, roof leakage, latrine, bathroom, etc. works carried out.
- **Hariben Dayaldas Dhanwani**
One new room constructed on the adjoining available land for her very old mother in law.
- **Nirmala Kotwani**
Roof leaking, latrine, bathroom, etc, works carried out.



Open plot before construction



Room constructed on open plot



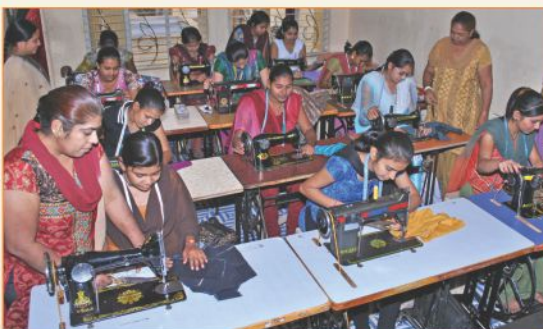
Open plot before construction



Room constructed on open plot

ii. Srimati Giyanibai Deomal Golani Vocational Training Centre

We have been running free Tailoring classes since 2008. This year there are two batches, one in the morning and the other in the afternoon. Both the batches have 25 students each. So far 25 batches covering 765 girls have successfully completed the course.



The Trust runs Mahendi classes since 2010. It is short-term course of two to four months, one hour a day. In a batch, 25 girls are trained in the art of Mahendi. As of now 465 girls are benefitted by this course.

ii. Sewing Machines

Sewing machines are given particularly to the poor ladies who have completed tailoring course at our Centre. This is given so that the lady-members can supplement the income of the family. They can become self dependent. During January to March, 2013, we have given sewing machines to two families which are as under :

- 1) Jyoti Vardhani is staying with her uncle and she has lost both parents. On completion of tailoring course at our Centre, she has been given sewing machine to be self reliant.
- 2) Kajal Satishkumar has been given sewing machine at subsidized rate. As she is good at tailoring, she earns good amount from the machine given by our Trust.



iii. Help for Marriage

Every parent dreams to perform Kanyadan of their daughter. In the present time, it is very difficult for poor parents to realize this dream. We at Sant Hirdaram Trust, help the poor parents at the time of marriage of their beloved daughters. During January-March, 2013, 14 families have been helped for their daughter's marriages. Photographs of some of the beneficiaries under this scheme are given along side:



Khushboo Wadhwani



Priya Sajani



Leena Makhija



Geeta Mulchandani

iv. Gurumukhi teaching :

To inculcate good virtues and enhance the knowledge of GURBANI among the children, we have recently started Gurumukhi teaching course. The maiden batch completed its course in January, 2013. Seven girls who participated in the course were issued certificates, gifts and a kit containing religious books.

Rev. Mrs. Ashadevi C. Kripalani giving certificate, gift and a kit containing religious books to one of the participants on 10.1.2013.



Vision of our Trust

Yes
to the genuine need of
every poor and helpless

This statement is true not only in letters but also in spirit. As a result, no poor and helpless with genuine needs goes back from Santji's Kutiya empty handed.

And lastly, it would not have been possible to provide selfless services to such a large number of less fortunate persons, but for the blessings of Brahmleen Santji, inspiration and motivation by Rev. Sidh Bhau Saheb, faith and continuous financial support from the philanthropist and our apex body Jeev Sewa Sansthan and lastly the team of dedicated volunteers who stand by us day and night for any task to achieve the objects of the trust.



Activities at a Glance

- Distribution of food grain to more than 400 card holders, every 3rd Sunday of the month.
- Free medical consultation and distribution of medicines to poor patients every fortnight
- Periodic organization of medical camps in blood donation, eye check / operation, thalassaemic awareness, etc.
- Helping poor patients financially during hospitalization
- Running of free tuition classes for poor children - Standards I to X
- Adoption of children for education help, scholarship to meritorious students and loan for higher education to poor and deserving students.
- Running of coaching classes for tailoring (5 months' course) and mehendi classes (1 month's course)
- Distribution of sewing machines to needy ladies to financially support their families
- Repairs of old, dilapidated and kuchha houses to create basic infrastructure like latrine, bathroom, kitchen
- Payment of old outstanding municipal dues in very special cases
- Gurumukhi teaching classes inculcating sanskars in adolescent girls
- Sri Sukhmani Path Saheb, Bhajan Kirtan, Aarti, Ardas every Sunday

पुष्कर प्रसाद

बूढ़े, बच्चे और बीमार, हैं परमेश्वर के यार ।
करें भावना से इनकी सेवा, पाएँगे लोक परलोक में सुख अपार ।

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